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## QUARREL PROVES FATAL

**WOOD CHOPPER SHOTS HIS COMPANION THEN ENDS OWN LIFE.**

**William Holbrook Dies in Grayling Hospital. Leaves Widow and Two Children.**

William Holbrook, age 28, died at Mercy hospital here Saturday afternoon, the result of a wound received by shooting in a quarrel near a DeWard lumber camp.

Holbrook was rushed to Grayling in a dying condition after suffering at his home during the afternoon and night. Before he died he related a story of an encounter with William Hamilton, a wood chopper and fellow workman, who was the victim of self-destruction after he had shot Holbrook.

Six weeks ago it is said that Holbrook became involved in a dispute over a game of cards. It is alleged that the quarrel was renewed on Friday afternoon, while the men were on their way to the camp. Holbrook, just before he died, stated that during the quarrel Hamilton suddenly pulled a 38 calibre revolver and fired at him. The bullet entered his left side, passing entirely through his body and coming out through the right side.

"Have you had enough now?" is said to have been the exclamation of Hamilton after he had fired the shot.

## TURNS GUN ON HIMSELF.

When Hamilton realized that the shot would prove fatal to Holbrook he turned the revolver upon himself and pulled the trigger, death was almost instantaneous. Holbrook walked to his home near the camp, and a physician was summoned. His condition was so serious that expert care was necessary and he was brought here and placed in the hospital Saturday but the wound finally proved fatal.

Holbrook was conscious most of the time after the crime and told the story of the quarrel and double shooting.

Both men were natives of Kentucky and evidently hot-tempered.

Holbrook is survived by a widow and two children. Hamilton was 25 years old and unmarried.

When Holbrook arrived home the sheriff and coroner were notified and an investigation was made, the result substantially bearing out the story of Holbrook.

It is not thought that Hamilton really intended to kill his companion, and it is believed he committed the act in an impulse of uncontrollable temper.

## CLOSE SCHOOLS.

**People May Decide Question at Annual or Special Meeting.**

If the school electors of a district desire to close the school and send the children to another district or districts, they may decide to do so at an annual or special meeting. In this way, the district organization is maintained and the primary money is not forfeited. Heretofore action of this kind could be taken only at annual meeting but the recent legislature amended the act. All school electors, whether voters because they are taxpayers or the parents or guardians of children on the census list may vote on this question.

Educators insist that a satisfactory school cannot be maintained with less than ten pupils and urge districts which can conveniently send the children elsewhere to close their schools with small enrollments. The board may pay their tuition and transportation, if necessary, out of any money on hand, except library money, and may vote a tax for such purpose.

Attorney-General Grant Fellows rules that if the electors vote to close their school after the board has hired a teacher for the next year, the district cannot be held to the contract.

## PARCEL POST CHANGES.

**After August 15 Weight of Package Will be Increased.**

The post offices are being notified by the postal department at Washington that the contemplated changes in the parcel post will go into effect on Aug. 15. At that date the weight limit from 14 to 20 pounds in the first and second zone only, and the rate in these zones will also be reduced, but just how much of a reduction there will be is not known at the present time. The first zone will likely be extended from 50 to 162 to 175 miles. It is expected the contemplated changes will double the package traffic now going on through the mails under the present limitations. In line with these zone and rate changes it is learned that the department is planning it for the purpose of inducing farmers and truck growers to make use of the parcel post for the sale of their products.

When you want a good glass of ice cream soda stop at Lewis & Co's.

## GRAYLING HUMBLER ONAWAY

**Defeats Northern Michigan Team in Two Games.**

Completely out-classed, the Onaways were made to bow to the local base ball team in two contests, and what was most unpleasant to them the games were played in their own town.

Onaway has the name of having a strong base ball team and had been scooping every thing in the north end of the state, including Cheboygan, and it was with considerable humiliation that they lost to Grayling last Saturday and Sunday. In the first game the score was 11 to 3, and the next 9 to 1.

In Saturday's game Dodge went in to the box and held Onaway down to six hits while Grayling pounded out

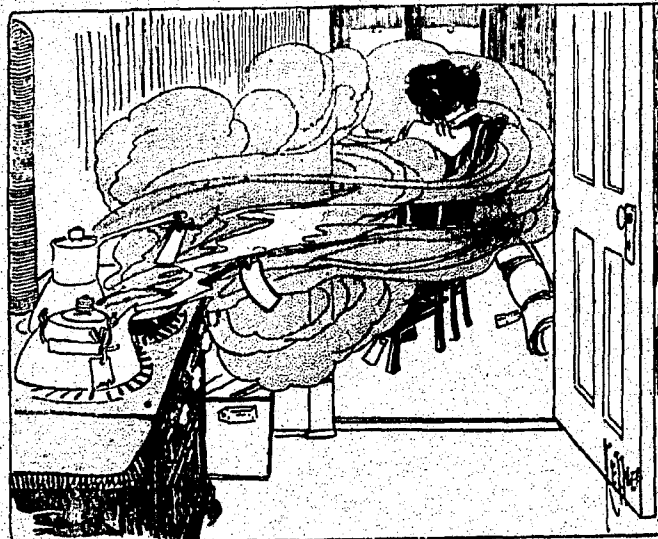
## THREE DAYS BASE BALL TOURNAMENT.

**Great Treat in Store For Grayling and Northern Michigan Fans.**

It is welcome news to the lovers of the greatest of all sports that we are to have a chance to see our local favorites cross bats again with Tom Stephens' Otsegoes. For some time since Mr. Stephens' arrival home from abroad he has been gathering together an aggregation of ball players to beat Grayling. The friendly feeling between Mr. Stephens and his team and our people is of the most pleasant, but when it comes to base ball there is the keenest rivalry.

Mr. Stephens will come again this year with a star team and it is going to be one of the greatest base ball battles that Grayling has perhaps ever

## JUNE BRIDE—YESTERDAY



17 safe ones, including singles, doubles and triples. Bibbins played his usual position as back stop. Wiley and Robinson composed the opposing battery.

Again on Sunday with Jones and Bibbins on the firing line for Grayling we held the enemy down to five hits and one run, while we duplicated our hitting average by batting the ball out for 17 hits and piled up 9 runs. Toronto and Robinson were the battery for Onaway.

Johnson featured in Sunday's game with a home run, putting the ball over the fence.

## Extent of Tuberculosis.

Tuberculosis kills more people than any other disease. Every three minutes someone dies from consumption. Every day 584 persons are dying from this disease. Every year more people die in the United States from consumption than from yellow fever in a period of one hundred and fifteen years. Three or four times as many people die every year in the United States from this disease as were killed in both armies during the Civil war. Every seventh person who dies, dies of consumption.

## SYMPTOMS.

There are a number of symptoms which might lead a person to suspect that he has pulmonary tuberculosis, namely loss of weight, loss of appetite, loss of color, fever in the afternoon, cough and expectoration lasting for several weeks, spitting of blood or streaks of blood in the sputum, chills, night sweats, difficulty in breathing, and pains in the chest. In incipient tuberculosis the commonest symptoms are loss of weight with cough and expectoration. When these symptoms occur it does not necessarily mean that tuberculosis exists, but it would be wise for a person having them, to consult a physician.

## Teachers' Examination.

The Adept examination for teachers of Crawford county will be held in the court house at Grayling, Aug. 14-16.

The questions on reading for all certificates will be based on the Merchant of Venice, by Shakespeare. Work in oral language and arithmetic similar to that given in April examination will be given.

An examination in agriculture will be given during the forenoon of Friday, August 15th.

A. E. IAVING,  
Commissioner of Schools.

## Costly Treatment.

I was troubled with constipation, indigestion and spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment," writes C. H. Hines, of Whitlow, Ark. "I went to St. Louis hospital in New Orleans, but no cure effected. On returning home I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets, and worked right along. I used them for sometime and am now alright." Sold by all dealers. Adv.

seen. The first game will be played on Sat., August 10th, and will be a battle to the finish, as this game will give the winners considerable advantage over the other in their efforts to win two out of the three games scheduled.

The following day, August 17th, there will be excursions into Grayling, special trains running from West Branch, Johannesburg and Gaylord. There is going to be at least one band and perhaps more to liven up the occasion. The third game will be played on the following day.

Besides our local star pitchers, Dodge, Hale and Laurent, we will have an opportunity of seeing Killian and Mullen, ex-Detroit Tiger pitchers, Busch and other noted mound artists. The Otsegoes will have as their back stop, the well known Bowerman, of the New York National league.

For the benefit of our out of town friends we are publishing the running schedule of the special trains that will run into Grayling on Sunday, August 17th, on account of the games:

|        |               |            |
|--------|---------------|------------|
| Leave  | Johannesburg  | 8:00 a. m. |
|        | Gaylord       | 9:00 "     |
|        | Sallings      | 9:10 "     |
|        | Wah-Wah-Soo   | 9:15 "     |
|        | Arbutus Beach | 9:20 "     |
|        | Otsego Lake   | 9:25 "     |
|        | Waters        | 9:40 "     |
|        | Frederic      | 10:00 "    |
| Arrive | Grayling      | 10:20 "    |

|        |             |            |
|--------|-------------|------------|
| Leave  | West Branch | 9:00 a. m. |
|        | Beaver Lake | 9:20 "     |
|        | St. Helen   | 9:30 "     |
|        | Geels       | 9:40 "     |
|        | Moore       | 9:45 "     |
|        | Roscommon   | 9:55 "     |
|        | Cheney      | 10:10 "    |
| Arrive | Grayling    | 10:30 "    |

Plan your affairs so that you can see all three games. These will probably be the only games the Otsegoes will play here this season.

## Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed for ever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous membranes.

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## Minister Praises This Laxative.

Rev. H. Stubbenvolt of Allison, Ia., in praising Dr. King's New Life Pills for constipation, writes: Dr. King's New Life Pills are such perfect pills no homes should be without them. No better regulator for the liver and bowels. Every pill guaranteed. Try them. Price 25c at A. M. Lewis & Co.

## NEWS FROM STEAD

**Daughter of Dead Journalist Receives Another Message**

"Some Are Quiet Spirits, Some Are Impetuous Like Myself," Say Victim of Titanic Disaster—Communication Is Not Easy.

London.—"Those are together who think together. Some are quiet spirits, some are impetuous like myself."

This was one of the "messages" from the late W. T. Stead, which his daughter, Miss Estelle W. Stead, delivered to a crowded gathering of the London Spiritualists alliance in the salon of the Royal Society of British America.

Miss Stead, who explained that she was neither a lecturer nor a public speaker, made a very promising debut in both capacities. In proclaiming "what spiritualism means to me" she said the one fact that stood out clearly was individual responsibility and the unlimited power of self-development in this life, while away ahead lay a long road of development for the soul. As to the possibility of communion with those who had passed over she was as certain of it as she was of anything.

For some the veil between was very thin, and she herself had had some of the most splendid proofs of authentic messages.

It was sometimes very difficult, however, to get into communication with those beyond. Her father, in a recent message, said:

"Would that you could see how rare it is for clear direct spiritual intercourse to take place. I see people sitting in circles who are the victims of the lower spirits."

Her father, said Miss Stead, found it difficult to communicate through her, because her mind was apt to jump to conclusions, but many messages had come through others. In one of them he spoke of the horrors of the battlefield and "of all those hurried over here unfitted for the spiritual life. They come in great bands and even the archangels are powerless to raise the spirit—it must grow of itself."

In another message he spoke of the harrowing scenes witnessed by him during the war. "Some of the victims," he said, "were higher than others in the spiritual plane, but most gravitated to the prison houses and the darkness of the spheres."

"I think," Miss Stead remarked, "that my father has found it more difficult to get absolutely correct statements through than he had any idea was the case when he was on this side. Many things that we may have taken to be correct then, I feel now, with the greater knowledge, he wishes me to be careful about. He has since told me that some of the earlier messages were distorted because his emotion in getting back to earth conditions made it impossible for him to hold the medium's brain, and his messages were colored by the thoughts of the sitters. Just now I am very interested in some messages I have received from America, for my father has corroborated them in a very wonderful manner, which I did not think possible."

These messages Miss Stead hopes to make public later.

## FROM POVERTY TO RICHES

**Father Whom He Never Saw Leaves Michigan Youth Two Millions.**

Detroit, Mich.—From poverty to the obscurity of a little country town to the possession of a fortune of \$2,000,000 is the Aladdin-like story of twenty-one-year-old Elvin Leschappelle of Grayling, this state. Within a few weeks he will receive his share of the estate left by his father, a millionaire lumberman of northern Wisconsin, whom he never has seen.

The young man's parents, Joseph Leschappelle and Mary Taylor, quarreled within a month after their marriage. The husband left Grayling and never returned.

After the birth of her son the young mother obtained a divorce and remarried, leaving the child with her father, Joseph Leschappelle went to Wisconsin, where he engaged in the lumber business and became wealthy. He also remarried and one son was born from this union.

The millionaire died recently. His estate is being wound up and will be divided between Elvin and his half brother.

## The Best Pain Killer.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve when applied to a cut, bruise, sprain, burn or scald, or other injury of the skin will immediately remove all pain. E. E. Chamberlain of Clinton, Me., says: "It robs cuts and other injuries of their terrors. As a healing remedy its equal don't exist." Will do good for you. Only 25c at A. M. Lewis & Co.

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## GREEN HOUSE

## SHUT MOTHER IN THE CLOSET

**Door Closed on Her by the Infant Has a Spring Lock and No Inside Knob.**

Bellefontaine, O.—Mrs. R. W. Southard, wife of a manufacturer, was imprisoned in a closet in her home five hours by her two-year-old son Robert, who pushed the closet door shut. Mrs. Southard went into the closet, under a stairway, to hang up a shawl. The baby toddled after her and shut the door, which had a spring lock. There was no knob inside the door and Mrs. Southard could not release herself.

She called and tried to explain to the baby how to open the door, but the little fellow became confused. She then told the child to go to the telephone and call his papa, which he undertook to do. The receiver was heavy and he dropped it, thus losing the telephone open.

Worried over injury that might happen to the baby while she was imprisoned caused Mrs. Southard to coax him near the door. With a long handle she somehow caught his clothes sufficiently to hold him so that he would not be harmed in falling down a stairway or in numerous other ways that the mother in her prison imagined.

Toward evening Mr. Southard called from his office by telephone. The telephone operator informed him the telephone at his home was open and that she could hear a baby crying. Hastening home, Mr. Southard was met by the baby, who had become released, who led him to the door of the closet. When he opened the door Mrs. Southard fell into his arms. All the closets doors in the Southard home are now being fitted with inside knobs.

## Suffered Eczema Fifty Years. Now Well.

Seems a long time to endure the awful burning, itching, smarting, skin disease, known as "tetter"—another name for eczema. Seems good to realize also that Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has proven a perfect cure. Mrs. D. L. Kenney writes: "I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to you for your Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. It has cured my tetter, which has troubled me for over fifty years." All druggists or by mail 50c. Pfeiffer Chemical Co. St. Louis, Mo.



# THE AVALANCHE

O. P. SCHUMAN, Pub.  
BRAYLING MICHIGAN

One seasonal occupation is going swimming.

Nobody envies a fat man in hot weather.

If you can't swim, any depth of water is too deep.

Even Boston has started a crusade against "animal dances."

An outing for a man usually means an outing for a mosquito.

Fishing must be good. Mighty few stories of wonderful catches.

A woman's face is her fortune, says an exchange. Yes; and money talks.

The most popular currency bill is one with a green back and a good figure.

Vesuvius again shows signs of activity. As a rule such signs are unmitigable.

Still, they managed to play ball before the word "foul" entered the vocabulary.

It does no good to turn the thermometer to the wall. You can't turn off the heat.

No matter how many troubles a man has, he can forget them all when a fish grabs the bait.

Every time hot weather comes a man wishes he had the courage to dress comfortably.

The man who ate six dinners to win a bet of \$25 could have sold the food for twice as much.

Tongues can get a man into trouble more ways than one. A Philadelphia man choked on his.

A little doesn't seem to fit the man who wrote "Peter Pan," at least a "tailor-made" title doesn't.

There is no sufficient tension in the baseball situation at present to make the fans enjoyably mad.

Excursion rates make it almost as cheap to travel as to stay at home and not nearly so monotonous.

As potato cars are to be heated in winter, the earnest hobo will proceed to disguise himself as a potato.

Little birds that frolic in the woods and eat berries do not get as much stomach-aches as the picknickers do.

The Chicago husband who has to woo his wife all over again probably will not be so ardent as the first time.

There is an opportunity for some genius to bless mankind by thinking up a reasonable excuse for going fishing.

It is a mean business man who asks the college graduate that applies for work to translate his college diploma.

As Lady Constance suggests, what's the use of acquiring a beautiful figure if you can't get rated accordingly?

In New York one might say, if one were sufficiently reckless, that the combination is "wine, women and Sing Sing."

To discover that last year's bathing suit has shrunk does not daunt the young woman who is as courageous as she is fair.

People who take poison by mistake may be careless, but what shall be said of those who leave the poison lying around?

A \$19 steer is said to cost the consumers \$99. Men are given steers occasionally that eventually cost them more than that.

Jacksonville, Fla., announces a movement in favor of more clothes for women, but nothing has been heard from Yuma, Ariz.

It is fortunate that all the best poetry of love and practically all the best romances were written before eugenics became a fad.

According to a decision recently made by the supreme court of Mississippi, a razor is not a weapon. On the other hand it could hardly be called a toy.

Now that the navy has abolished "starboard" and "port" for "right" and "left" cannot somebody relieve the clash between "interstate" and "intra-state"?

A Chicago doctor says Americans are shortsighted. Still, that's not the real reason why they don't save money.

The San Francisco Dishwashers' union announced that it has 100 college men as members. A blow to persons who claim that the college man is not practical.

Might be pleasant to take a trip with Count Zeppelin about now in one of his airships. The atmosphere is quite cold when a certain elevation above the earth's surface is reached.

The mongrel dog gets into the newspapers as a hero much more often than his fashionable contemporary, "The Wolf." And among men the words have more heroism as a rule than the dandies.

Queen Mary of England may be very strict in her views, but she is never in enforcing them. She keeps her son, the prince of Wales, from the gay and festive career, not by threats, commands and punishments, but simply by restricting his money income. The rest is easy.

# EIGHTEEN DEAD IN MINE HORROR

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE AND GAS IN PENNSYLVANIA MINE KILLS MEN.

FIVE RESCUERS PERISH WHEN SECOND EXPLOSION OCCURS.

Cause of Accident, Unknown But Theory Is That Dynamite Explosion Liberated Gas Which Was Responsible for Second Blast.

Eighteen men were killed and two seriously injured in a double explosion in the East Brookside mine of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron company, near Tower City, Pa., by a double explosion of what is believed to have been dynamite and gas.

Thirteen men died in the first explosion and five went to their death in the second blast after an heroic attempt to rescue the first victims. One of the rescuers escaped.

It is not known exactly what caused the explosions, but the miners at the colliery are inclined to the belief that the first explosion was that of dynamite and the second was caused by gas which had been liberated by the dynamite explosion. The dead were scattered about for a distance of about a quarter of a mile. Only three men were taken out alive and one of these died on the way to the hospital. The men were killed in three different ways. Some of them were violently hurled against the side of the tunnel in which they were working and crushed. Some were burned to death by the explosion of gas and others were suffocated by the after-damp which always follows an explosion in the mines.

Dean of Women Chosen.

Dr. Emma Curtis Tucker, of New Haven, Conn., has been hired as dean of women and assistant professor of English at Olivet college to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Georgia L. White. The latter is now abroad, but when she returns she will accept the deanship of women at M. A. C. Miss Edna Estelle Hall, also of New Haven, has been secured as instructor of piano to replace Mrs. Minnie Powers Burritt, resigned. Dr. Tucker took her Ph. D. degree at Yale last year, while Miss Hall has just returned from Berlin, where she has been studying for the last two years. President E. G. Lancaster is now looking for a man to coach the football team and act as assistant in biology.

American Girls Drown in Ireland.

Five girls who returned recently to Ireland from the United States to visit relatives were drowned at Strand hall, near Sligo. They are Lizzie Ford, Margaret Fraim, Lizzie Murtagh, Mary Ann Murtagh and Lizzie McNulty. The girls were bathing when Lizzie Ford, who was a good swimmer, dared the others to go farther out in the stream. A strong current was running and all were carried away and drowned, despite efforts made by a policeman who jumped into the water to rescue them.

Dips Rob Ambassador Wilson.

Henry Lane Wilson, United States ambassador to Mexico, was the victim of pickpockets, who took his wallet containing \$128, together with valuable papers and official memoranda, while the ambassador was escorting two women friends to a Long Island train in the Pennsylvania station in New York.

There is no intimation that the theft was the work of anyone seeking secret papers in the ambassador's possession, but that it was simply an ordinary case of pocket picking.

Indian Named for Registrar.

For the first time in its history the treasury department will have a full blooded Indian for a department chief. The name of Gabee Turner, a Choctaw Indian, from Oklahoma, was sent to the senate to be registrar of the treasury. Both Senators Gore and Owen of Oklahoma are agreed on him and no opposition will develop. Turner's nomination took the place of that of Adam E. Patterson, a Negro.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Sowerby, owners of the Bull farm in Irving, one of the first tracts of land taken up in Barry county, will give to the county a few square rods of land on which stood the trading post established by Moreau, a French trader, in 1828. The pioneer society intends to place upon this historic spot a monument marking the site of the post and giving historical data connected with the Bull's Prairie settlement.

Jas. Walsh, 71, a student of Kalamazoo, fell from a Michigan Central freight train at Niles, while stealing a ride, and will probably die. Both legs were severed. Physicians hold out little hope for his recovery.

Ten thousand good roads enthusiasts are expected to visit Detroit to attend the third annual American road congress, which is to be held September 29 to October 4, and which is planned to be one of the greatest demonstrations for better highways in the world's history.

Nominations for two Michigan post offices were sent to the senate Tuesday for confirmation by President Wilson. He named Henry Kessel for the office at Orion, and John Janox for that at Scottville.

The lost boy who was picked up in a half starved condition south of Traverse City last week has been identified and claimed by Mrs. L. E. Townsend, who is spending the summer at Charlevoix. The boy left Charlevoix July 10, and had been wandering over the country until picked up, living on fruit and berries.

# WILLIAM G. McADOO



The secretary of the treasury has installed an entirely new government policy by depositing millions of dollars in southern and western banks to facilitate the moving of crops. U. S. bonds will be accepted at par as security.

# BRYAN'S PLAN IS REJECTED

Secretary Is Asked to Submit New Nicaraguan Treaty With Protectorate Clause Omitted.

Secretary Bryan's plan for an American protectorate over Nicaragua, providing American supervision of Nicaragua's finances, independence and foreign relations, was shelved by the senate for the time being. Apparently with the knowledge of the administration, the senate foreign relations committee, before which the project has rested for two weeks, passed a resolution asking the secretary of state to submit a new Nicaraguan treaty, omitting the protectorate clause. The compact, at the request of the senate committee, is to be limited strictly to the original negotiations with Nicaragua, by which the United States will pay \$3,000,000 for an exclusive canal right across the country, a naval base site on the bay of Fonseca and a lease to the Corn Islands in the Caribbean sea.

Heavy Auto Exports Reported.

Automobile parts to the value of \$10,000,000 were shipped from the United States in the past fiscal year, as against \$1,000,000 worth in 1903, a decade ago, according to figures by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

Of last year's shipments, \$28,500,000 worth were in finished automobiles. Canada was the largest buyer, having taken 7,200 cars, valued at \$3,200,000. England bought almost 4,000, valued at \$2,000,000; then came British Oceania, South America, British South Africa, Germany, British East Indies, France and Russia, in the order named.

Less than \$2,000,000 worth of automobiles were imported, at an average price of \$2,300, while in 1907 more than \$4,000,000 worth were brought in, at an average price of \$3,400.

Russia Not to Be at Exposition.

The Russian government decided not to participate officially in the San Francisco exposition. Although the German secretary of the interior declared that Germany had not yet taken any action in regard to the question of participation in the Panama Pacific exposition at San Francisco in 1915, the opinion is freely expressed in official circles that the German empire will not be represented there.

Mitchel for Mayor of New York.

Republicans, progressives and independents, of New York, as represented by a fusion committee of 107 members, agreed on the nomination of John Purroy Mitchel, collector of customs of the port of New York, as a candidate for mayor. The regular democrat candidate, or that to be backed by Tammany hall, has not yet been named, but Mayor Gaynor is understood to be a candidate for nomination for another term.

A. K. Edwards is president of the Edward Chamberlain Hardware company and by coincidence is chairman of the grade separation commission appointed by former Mayor C. H. Farrell at the time of the crossing accident, November 12, 1910, on the Michigan Central at East avenue when seven lives were snuffed out.

After years of effort, steps have finally been taken toward building a north and south road between Toledo and Detroit connecting the good roads of Lucas county, Ohio, and the good roads of Wayne county.

W. E. Hollinrake has been appointed chief clerk at the prison to succeed A. H. Packett, whose resignation takes effect Sept. 1. Mr. Hollinrake has been an officer at the prison 12 years, coming from Berrien county during Vincent's administration, and has filled the positions of guard, keeper and assistant hall master.

Mrs. Marguerite Hoxie, 57, wife of W. J. Hoxie, president of the Reliance Milling Co., of Vassar, is dead after three days' illness with heart disease. At a special meeting of the supervisors of Monroe county the first steps were taken toward laying out a system of county roads in order that actual construction work may begin early next spring. General sentiment about the county is for the building of an east-and-west road first instead of the Detroit-Toledo road, which is wanted by automobile users.

# LETTER FROM THE STATE CAPITOL

EXPERT SAYS HIGH BACTERIA IN MILK GENERALLY MEANS NOTHING.

MILITIA IN STRIKE REGION COSTS \$12,000 PER DAY.

Attorney General Holds That the Fifty-Four Hour Law For Women Does Not Cover Restaurants and Cafes.

[By Gurd M. Hayes.]

Dr. Ward Giltner, acting professor of bacteriology and hygiene at the M. A. C., declares that a high bacteria count in milk generally means nothing. He says: "A high count may be secured even in better dairies, but a high count is not indicative of danger. On the other hand a low count should not be drawn from a single sample. It takes two days to make a bacterial count and in the meanwhile the milk is consumed. A producer may have filthy milk but he can keep the bacteria count down by keeping his milk ice cold."

"Every city in the state should have an ordinance that required not only a personal inspection of all dairies by its health inspector, but would have a municipal ruling like that of the city of Flint which requires the tuberculin test of every dairy herd that supplies milk to the city. At Flint 1,200 cows were tested for tuberculosis and 60 were found to be affected. An impure milk supply is dangerous to public health and especially a supply secured from a tubercular infected herd."

"Man must be classified with the list of animals that are notably susceptible to the bovine type of bacilli. We have plenty of evidence to show that market milk contains tubercle bacilli in from five to ten or more percent of samples examined. While we have a very limited amount of data upon which to base any very general conclusions, we are confident that Michigan has tuberculosis in her cattle in all parts of the state and that milk from these cattle is being sold to creameries and cheese factories and for direct human consumption. Much of this consumption is by infants, the most susceptible to bovine type of bacilli. We have found sections of the state where the conditions are appalling, as many as 100 per cent of the cattle in a herd being affected. On numerous occasions we have found cows reacting for the tuberculin test and immediately partaken of their milk along with the owner's family. We are also finding tuberculosis in poultry to an extent that should cause alarm."

"In regard to the count, milk may have as high as a billion bacteria to the cubic centimeter and yet be safe as the germs are lactic germs, one of the good and harmless germs. All milk, no matter from how sanitary or clean a dairy, is contaminated to a certain extent. But bacteria count means nothing without an inspection of the source of the milk supply and a tuberculin test. The inspection should be done by a man who understands his business and should not be governed by politics. The inspector should have a score card system and should compare the score with the count, for the bacteria count is not altogether worthless. A score card indicates every condition at the dairy: health of the cattle and men milking them, comfort of the beasts, isolation of the sick, location of stable and water supply, ventilation, feed, pasture and condition of the barnyard, milking utensils, condition of milker's hands, handling of the milk and protection during transportation."

"Publicity should be given to the dairyman's score card rather than to the bacteria count, for it is the score card that tells the tale of contamination. The count will aid some, but is not to be compared to the importance of the conditions at a dairy. The tuberculin test, however, is a most important thing and should be compulsory by every city's ordinance. Whatever may be the relation of bovine tuberculosis to human health directly, we know that there is a bovine tuberculosis problem in Michigan which must be dealt with at least as an economic problem. I find that the cattle owner can be appealed to from the standpoint of personal and financial interest in this connection and that great care must be exercised when dealing with the milk producer purely from the public health standpoint."

A number of wholesale bakers and many Michigan housewives are complaining of "slimy" bread, some samples of which have been sent to the bacteriological department of the M. A. C. for analysis. The so-called "slimy" exists in the center of the loaf and is caused by a sporeiferous growth, the germ of which is generally in the yeast and not in the flour as some wholesale bakers have found to their financial loss after throwing away or sending back barrels of flour to various mills. Although not creating a very appalling appearance, the germ is harmless. They have their uses, as they make the cores of the June bride's biscuit quite pliable. The germ is not killed by boiling water as has been demonstrated but

will not grow in the low temperature. When "slimy" bread appears the best method, say the scientists of riding oneself of the condition, is to destroy all yeast and thoroughly sterilize all pans or utensils in which former bakings have been done.

There was a balance of \$8,693, 738.32 in the state treasury when the vaults were opened for business August 1, but this amount shrunk considerably during the next few days as more than \$4,000,000 was paid out of the primary school fund. The general fund contained \$2,797, 398.16 which is available for immediate use, but State Treasurer Haarer says that the expense of maintaining the state troops in the copper country is making a big hole in the general fund, and with the constantly increasing expense state officials fear that the strong box will be empty before the first of the year.

During the last session of the legislature a bill was passed which exempts counties from the expense of maintaining the state militia and places the burden on the whole state. This money is not paid from the military fund but comes from the general fund of the state. Therefore, as far as the tax levy is concerned the maintenance of the state troops in the upper peninsula is costing the people of the copper country no more than the taxpayers of the lower peninsula. The estimated cost of keeping the militia in the copper country is \$12,500 per day.

Secretary of State Marindale is doing a lively business in automobile licenses as their price was reduced from \$3 to \$1.50 and the cut rates will be in effect for 1913 plates until January 1, when every machine will be taxed according to horsepower. Many automobile owners who purchased their machines during the previous week waited until August 1 in order to get the reduced rates. Already more than 50,000 automobile licenses have been issued in Michigan this year and Secretary Marindale believes that at least 5,000 more will be issued before the first of the year.

# REDUCTION IN EXPRESS RATES

ORDERS OF INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION WILL CUT REVENUE.

ESTIMATED COST TO COMPANIES \$2,000,000.

Greatest Reduction Is Made on Small Parcels Going Short Distance—To Become Effective October 15th.

Reductions in express rates which will cost the companies fully \$2,000,000 a year—approximately 10 per cent of their gross revenue, were ordered by the interstate commerce commission to become effective on or before October 15, 1913. Notable reforms in practices also were ordered. The most important change prescribed by the order is by way of modification of the present graduated scale of parcel rates. One hundred-pound rates for short distances either have been left unchanged or slightly reduced; for longer distances they have been lowered; for 50 pounds or less all rates have been practically reduced. For packages more than four pounds going more than 200 miles and less than 2,000 the new express rates are generally lower than the parcel post rates; for more than 3,000 miles the rates are practically the same.

Ambassador Wilson Resigns. Secretary of State Bryan, acting for President Wilson, accepted the resignation of Henry Lane Wilson as ambassador to Mexico. The resignation will go into effect at the end of 60 days. Ambassador Wilson was closeted with the secretary of state for about two hours discussing matters connected with the administration in Mexico. On leaving the state department he said he had no comment to make on any policy or proposed policy of the president or of the secretary of state and added that the president's plans for peace in Mexico have not been discussed with him. The ambassador said he was sure the president and the secretary of state were actuated by motives of the highest patriotism and that he is sorry that he cannot consider himself in accord with their ideas.

Labor Commissioner Cunningham will be unable to prosecute proprietors of restaurants and cafes who make their women employees work more than 54 hours a week, as Attorney General Fellows has rendered an opinion to the effect that these places do not come under the provisions of the 54 hour law for working women. Cunningham announced several days ago that he intended to start a campaign along this line if the attorney general decided that restaurants operated under this section of the state labor law. Other attorney generals have taken the same stand as Fellows.

The new commissioner of labor believes that the law should be amended so as to cover all women employees in the state and it is expected that he will take steps along this line at the next session of the legislature. However, it was only after a hard fight that the present law was preserved during the last session. When the attempt was made to exempt cities of less than 2,500 population, a determined effort was made to repeal the whole act.

Employment bureaus are prohibited from use the name of the state or any name which might lead to the impression that the private employment bureau is under the control of the state labor department.

J. H. Nield, Lansing, is the promoter of an experiment in the training of high school students that is being watched with interest by educators all over the country. Lansing is the only city in the state to provide an industrial cooperative course for the students. The aim is to meet the needs of the boy who wishes to become competent and efficient as a tradesman; and any boy who has an eighth grade education may take up the work on this course.

It is of four years duration. The first is all devoted to school work, the second and every year thereafter the boys work in pairs; one boy at school and his mate at the shop. These students alternate weekly. No boy is allowed to continue a trade unless he shows his interest in it at all times.

A salary is given to the boys for the time they put in at the shop. The first year they receive 10 cents an hour, and they are raised to 12 1/2 cents in the second year, while in the third year they are given 15 cents an hour. By working steadily boys may make several hundred dollars, placing some on a self-supporting basis.

Attorney-General Fellows held that a child under 12 years of age may be sentenced to the industrial school by the judge of probate without a hearing in the justice court, unless the offense be a felony. In another opinion the attorney-general held that it is not mandatory that officers of rural school boards be elected annually.

The state railroad commission decided that the Pere Marquette railway will have to construct a new depot in Port Huron to take the place of that which was destroyed by fire on January 2, 1913. The company has been using an abandoned freight car to accommodate its patrons since the destruction of the depot there and it is said has repeatedly ignored the demands of the city to erect another station.

Clay H. Hollister and R. D. Graham of the Michigan State Bankers' association, both approve the plan of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo to deposit between \$25,000,000 and \$50,000,000 in southern and western banks, accepting commercial paper as security. Both bankers believe the plan is perfectly safe.

# THE MARKETS.

Live Stock, Grain and General Farm Produce.

Detroit, Cattle: Receipts, 1,910; market dull and 15¢ to 25¢ lower. Best dry-fed steers and heifers, \$7.75@8; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs., \$7.50@8.50; steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$7.00@7.50; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$7.75@8; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700 lbs., \$6.25; choice fat cows, \$6; good fat cows, \$5.25@5.50; common cows, \$4.50@4.75; canners, \$3.50@4; choice heavy bulls, \$6.25@6.50; fair to good heavy bulls \$5.75@6.25; stock bulls, \$5.50; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$6.50@7; fair feeding steers 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$6@6.50; choice stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$6@6.50; fair stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$5.50@6; stock heifers, \$5@5.50; yearlings large, young, medium age \$6@6.70; common milkers, \$3.50@5.00.

Veal calves—Receipts, 280; market 25¢ lower; best, \$10@10.50; others, \$8@9.50.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,210; market steady; best lambs, \$7.25@7.50; fair lambs, \$6.25@7; light to common lambs, \$5@6; yearlings, \$5@6; fair to good sheep, \$4@4.25; culls and common, \$2.75@3.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 885; market dull. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, \$9.40@9.45; pigs, \$9.45; mixed, 9.40; stags one-third off.

EAST BUFFALO: Cattle—Receipts, 200 cars; market 15¢ to 25¢ lower; best 1,350 to 1,450-lb steers, \$8.50@9.00; best 1,200 to 1,300-lb steers, \$8@8.25; coarse and plain heavy steers, \$7.75@8; choice handy steers, \$8@8.40; grassy, 1,000 to 1,100-lb steers, \$7.75@8.25; best fat cows, \$6@6.50; best grassy cows, \$5.25@5.75; good grassy cows, \$5@5.25; light grassy cows, \$4.25@4.75; trimmers, \$3.25@4; best fat heifers, \$7.25@7.50; medium grassy heifers, \$6.25@6.75; common heifers, \$5.50@6; good to best feeding steers, \$6.50@7.50; fair to best stockers, \$5.50@6.25; best butcher bulls, \$6.50@7; best bologna bulls, \$5.50@6.25; stock bulls, \$5@6.50; best milkers and springers, \$5.50@8; common to good, \$4@5.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 70 cars; market 5¢ to 10¢ lower; heavy, \$9.40@9.50; mixed \$9.55@9.65; Yorkers, \$9.70@9.75; pigs, \$9.80@9.90; roughs, \$8@8.25; hogs, \$7.50@7.75.

Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 30 cars; market active; top lambs, \$7@7.35; culls to fair, \$6@6.75; yearlings, \$5.50@6.25; wethers, \$5.25@5.50; ewes, \$4.50@5.45.

Calves, \$5@11.50.

Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, 1 car at 83 1/2¢, closing at 83; July opened without change at 83 1/2¢, declined to 87 1/2¢ and closed at 88¢; September opened at 89 1/2¢, declined to 88 1/2¢ and closed at 88 3/4¢; December opened at 92 3/4¢, declined to 92 1/4¢ and closed at 92 1/2¢; No. 3 red, 86¢; No. 1 white, 88¢.

Corn—Cash No. 3 66¢; No. 2 yellow, 1 car at 68 1/2¢; No. 3 yellow, 1 car at 68¢.

Oats—Standard, 1 car at 43 3/4¢; September, 42 3/4¢; No. 3 white, 2 cars at 42 3/4¢; No. 4 white, 3 cars at 41 3/4¢.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 64¢.

Beans—Immediate, prompt and August shipment, \$1.95; October, \$1.85. Cloverseed—Prime, 50 bags at \$8.35; December, \$8.35; October alsike, \$10 bid; sample alsike, 10 bags at \$10, 5 at \$9.

Timothy—Prime spot, 25 bags at \$2.50.

Alfalfa—Prime spot, 20 bags at \$8.50.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 pounds, jobbing lots: Best patent, \$5.50; second patent, \$5.20; straight, \$5; spring patent, \$5.10; rye, \$4.60 per bbl.

Feed—in 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$2.50; coarse middlings, \$2.30; fine middlings, \$2.00; cracked corn, \$2.50; coarse cornmeal, \$2.65; corn and oat chop, \$2.4 per ton.

Gooseberries—\$2.50@3 per bu.

Huckleberries—\$4@4.25 per bu.

Blackberries—Lawton, \$2@2.25 per 16-lb case.

Apples—New, \$1.75@2 per box and \$4.50@5.50 per bbl.

Currents—Cherry, \$3@3.50; common, \$2@2.50 per bbl.

Cherries—\$2.25@3.50 per bu and \$1.50@1.75 per 16-lb case.

Raspberries—Red, \$3.75@4 per 24-lb case; black, \$2@2.25 per 16-lb case and \$3.25 per 24-lb case.

Green corn—20¢ per doz.

Cabbage—\$2.50@2.75 per bu.

New potatoes—\$2.75@2.85 per bbl.

Tomatoes—Texas, \$1.25 per 4-basket flat.

Dressed Calves—Choice, 10¢@11¢; fancy, 13 1/2¢@14¢ per lb.

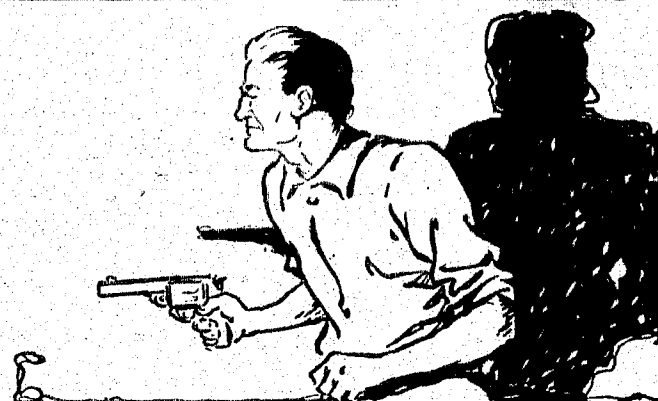
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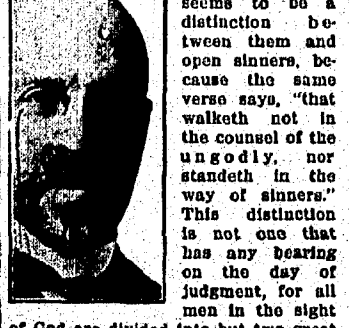
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## The Company We Keep

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TEXT: Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly.—Psalm 1.



Who are the ungodly? There seems to be a distinction between open sinners and those who are called "ungodly." This distinction is not one that has any bearing on the day of judgment, for all men in the eighteenth century of God are divided into but two great classes, not the good and the bad, but the saved and the lost. This distinction is not one that has any bearing on the day of judgment, for all men in the eighteenth century of God are divided into but two great classes, not the good and the bad, but the saved and the lost. This distinction is not one that has any bearing on the day of judgment, for all men in the eighteenth century of God are divided into but two great classes, not the good and the bad, but the saved and the lost.

**SYNOPSIS.** George Anderson and wife see a remarkable looking man come out of the Clement hotel, look around furtively, walk his hands in the snow and push a commotion attracts them to the Clement. Where it is found that the beautiful Miss Edith Chalmers has fallen dead. Anderson describes the man he saw walk his hands in the snow. The hotel manager declares him to be Orlando Brotherson. Physicians find that Miss Chalmers was stabbed and not shot, which seems clear proof of suspicion. Greys, an aged detective, and Sweetwater, his assistant, take up the case. They believe Miss Chalmers' husband, a paper cutter found near the scene of tragedy is believed to be the weapon used. Mr. Greys tells of a batch of letters found in his daughter's desk, signed "O. B." All are love letters except one which shows that the writer was displeased. This letter was signed by Orlando Brotherson. Anderson goes with Sweetwater to meet Brotherson, who is to address a meeting of anarchists. The place is raided by police and Brotherson escapes without being identified. Brotherson is found living in a tenement under the name of Dunn. He is an inventor and tells the coroner of his acquaintance with Sweetwater and how she repulsed him with scorn when he offered her his love. Sweetwater recalls the mystery of the murder of a washerwoman in which some details were similar to the Chalmers affair. Chalmers admits his daughter was deeply interested in the case. Brotherson gives the police a plausible explanation of his conduct. Sweetwater plans to discuss himself as a carpenter and seek lodgings in the same building with Brotherson.

**CHAPTER XVII.**  
**In Which a Book Plays a Leading Part.**  
When Mr. Brotherson came in that night, he noticed that the door of the room adjoining his own stood open. He did not hesitate. Making immediately for it, he took a glance inside, then spoke up with a ringing intonation: "Halloo! coming to live in this hole?"

The occupant—a young man, evidently a workman and somewhat sickly if one could judge from his complexion—turned around from some tinkering he was engaged in and met the intruder fairly, face to face.

"Yes, this is to be my castle. Are you the owner of the buildings? If so—"

"I am not the owner. I live next door. Haven't I seen you before, young man?"

"If you go up Henry street it's likely enough that you've seen me not once, but many times. I'm the fellow who works at the bench next the window in Schupers' repairing shop. Everybody knows me."

"I've seen you. I've seen you somewhere else than in Schupers' shop. Do you remember me?"

"No, sir. I'm sorry to be impertinent but I don't remember you at all. Won't you sit down? It's not very cheerful, but I'm so glad to get out of the room I was in last night that this looks all right to me. Back there, other building," he whispered. "I didn't know, and took the room which had a window in it; but—The stop was significant; it was his smile, which had a touch of sickness in it, as well as humor."

But Brotherson was not to be caught.

"I saw you," said he. "You were standing in the window overlooking the court. You were not sleeping then. I suppose you know that a woman died in that room?"

"Yes; they told me so this morning."

"Was that the first you'd heard of it?"

"Sure!" The word almost jumped at the questioner. "Do you suppose I'd have taken the room if—"

But here the intruder, with a disdainful grunt, turned and went out, disgust in every feature—plain, unmistakable, downright disgust, and nothing more!

This was what gave Sweetwater his second bad night; this and a certain discovery he made. He had counted on hearing what went on in the neighboring room through the partition, running back of his own closet. But he could hear nothing, unless it

"I've come to see how you are," said Brotherson. "I noticed that you didn't look well last night. Won't you come in and share my pot of coffee?"

"I can't eat," mumbled Sweetwater, for once in his life thrown completely off his balance. "You're very kind, but I'll manage all right. I'd rather, I'm not quite dressed, you see, and I must get to the shop."

Then he thought—"What an opportunity I'm losing. Have I any right to turn tail because he plays his game from the outset with trumps? No, I've a small trump somewhere about me to lay on this trick. It isn't an ace, but it'll show I'm not chicken."

And smiling, though not with his usual cheerfulness, Sweetwater added, "Is the coffee all made? I might take a drop of that. But you mustn't ask me to eat—I just couldn't!"

"Yes, the coffee is made and it isn't bad either. You'd better put on your coat; the hall's draughty." And waiting till Sweetwater did so, he led the way back to his own room. Brotherson's manner expressed perfect ease. Sweetwater's not. He knew himself changed in looks, in bearing, in feeling, even; but was he changed enough to deceive this man on the very spot



This Proved That His Calculations Had Been Correct.

where they had confronted each other a few days before in a keen moral struggle?

"I'm going out myself today, so we'll have to hurry a bit," was Brotherson's first remark as they seated themselves at table. "Do you like your coffee plain or with milk in it?"

"Plain. Gosh! what pictures! Where do you get 'em? You must have a lot of coin." Sweetwater was staring at the row of photographs, mostly of a very high order, tacked along the wall separating the two rooms. They were unframed, but they were mostly copies of great pictures, and the effect was rather imposing in contrast to the shabby furniture and the otherwise homely fittings.

"Yes, I've enough for that kind of thing," was his host's reply. But the tone was reserved, and Sweetwater did not presume again along this line. Instead, he looked well at the books nailed upon the shelves under these photographs, and wondered aloud at their number and at the man who could waste such a lot of time in reading them. But he made no more direct remarks.

Yet there was one cheerful moment. It was when he noticed the careless way in which those books were arranged upon their shelves. An idea had come to him. He hid his relief in his cup, as he drained the last drops of the coffee, which really tasted better than he expected.

When he returned from work that afternoon it was with an anger under his coat and a conviction which led him to empty out the contents of a small phial which he took down from a shelf. He had told Mr. Greys that he was eager for the business because of its difficulties, but that was when he was feeling fine and up to any game which might come his way. Now he felt weak and easily discouraged. This would not do. He must regain his health at all hazards, so he poured out the mixture which had given him such a sickly air. This done and a rude supper eaten, he took up his anger. He had heard Mr. Brotherson's step go by. But next minute he laid it down again in great haste and flung a newspaper over it. Mr. Brotherson was coming back, had stopped at his door, had knocked and must be let in.

"You're better this evening," he heard in those kindly tones which so confused and irritated him which so

"Yes," was the surly admission.

Then Mr. Brotherson passed on, and Sweetwater listened till he was sure that his too attentive neighbor had really gone down the three flights between him and the street. Then he took up his anger again and shut himself up in his closet.

There was nothing peculiar about this closet. It was just an ordinary one with drawers and shelves on one side, and an open space on the other for the hanging up of clothes. Very few clothes hung there at present; but it was in this portion of the closet that he stopped and began to try the wall of Brotherson's room, with the butt end of the tool he carried.

The sound seemed to satisfy him, for very soon he was boring a hole at a point exactly level with his ear.

"Next as well as useful," was the gay comment with which Sweetwater surveyed his work, then laid his ear to the hole. Whence previously he could barely hear the rattling of coins from the coal-scuttle, he was now able

to catch the sound of an ash falling into the ash-pit.

His next move was to test the depth of the partition by inserting his finger into the hole he made. He found it stopped by some obstacle before it had reached half its length, and anxious to satisfy himself of the nature of the obstacle, he gently moved the tip of his finger to and fro over what was certainly the edge of a book.

This proved that his calculations had been correct and that the opening so accessible on his side, was completely veiled on the other by the books he had seen packed on the shelves. He had even been careful to assure himself that all the volumes at this exact point stood far enough forward to afford room behind them for the chips and plaster he must necessarily push through with his finger, and also—important consideration—for the free passage of the sounds by which he hoped to profit.

But it was days before he could trust himself so far. Meanwhile their acquaintance ripened, though with no very satisfactory results. The detective found himself led into telling stories of his early home-life to keep pace with the man who always had something of moment and solid interest to impart. This was undesirable, for instead of calling out a corresponding confidence from Brotherson, it only seemed to make his conversation more coldly impersonal.

In consequence, Sweetwater suddenly found himself quite well and one evening, when he was sure that his neighbor was at home, he slid softly into his closet and laid his ear to the opening he had made there. The result was unexpected. Mr. Brotherson was pacing the floor, and talking softly to himself.

At first, the cadence and full music of the tones conveyed nothing to our far from literary detective. The victim of his secret machinations was expressing himself in words, words that were the point which counted with him. But as he listened longer and gradually took in the sense of these words, his heart went down lower and lower till it reached his boots. His inscrutable and ever disapproving neighbor was not indulging in self-communings of any kind. He was reciting poetry, and what was worse, poetry which he only half remembered and was trying to recall—an incredible occupation for a man weighed with a criminal secret.

Sweetwater was disgusted, and was withdrawing in high indignation from his vantage-point when something occurred of a startling enough nature to hold him where he was in almost breathless expectation.

The hole which in the darkness of the closet was always faintly visible, even when the light was not very strong in the adjoining room, had suddenly become a bright and shining loophole, with a suggestion of movement in the space beyond. The book which had hid this hole on Brotherson's side had been taken down—the one book in all those hundreds whose removal threatened Sweetwater's schemes, if not himself.

For an instant the thwarted detective listened for the angry shout or the smothered oath which would naturally follow the discovery by Brotherson of this attempted interference with his privacy.

But all was still on his side of the wall. A rustling of leaves could be heard, as the inventor searched for the poem he wanted, but nothing more. In withdrawing the book, he had failed to notice the hole in the plaster back of it. But he could hardly fail to see it when he came to put the book back. Meantime, suspense for Sweetwater.

It was several minutes before he heard Mr. Brotherson's voice again, then it was in triumphant repetition of the lines which had escaped his memory. They were great words surely and Sweetwater never forgot them, but the impression which they made upon his mind, an impression so forcible that he was able to repeat them, months afterward to Mr. Greys, did not prevent him from noting the tone in which they were uttered, nor the thud which followed as the book was thrown down upon the floor.

"Fool!" The word rang out in bitter irony from his late neighbor's lips. "What does he know of woman? Woman! Let him court a rich one and see—but that's all over and done with. No more hanging on that string, and no more reading of poetry. I'll never—"

The rest was lost in his throat and was quite unintelligible to the anxious listener.

Self-revealing words, which an instant before would have aroused Sweetwater's deepest interest! But they had suddenly lost all force for the unhappy listener. The sight of that hole still shining brightly before his eyes had distracted his thoughts and roused his liveliest apprehensions. If that book should be allowed to lie where it had fallen, then he was in for a period of uncertainty he shrank from contemplating. Any moment his neighbor might look up and catch sight of this hole bored in the backing of the shelves before him. Could the man who had been guilty of submitting him to this outrage stand the strain of waiting indefinitely for the moment of discovery? He doubted it. If the suspense lasted too long.

Shifting his position, he placed his eye where his ear had been. He could see very little. The space before him limited as it was to the width of the one volume withdrawn, presented him a scene which he did not like to see. Happily, it was in this narrow line of vision that Mr. Brotherson stood. He had resumed work

upon his model and was so placed that while his face was not visible, his hands were, and as Sweetwater watched these hands and noticed the delicacy of their manipulation, he was enough of a workman to realize that work so fine called for an undivided attention. He need not fear the gaze shifting, while those hands moved as warily as they did now.

Relieved for the moment, he left his post and, sitting down on the edge of his cot, gave himself up to thought. Suddenly he started upright. He would go meet his fate—be present in the room itself when the discovery was made which threatened to upset all his plans. He was not ashamed of his calling, and Brotherson would think twice before attacking him when once convinced that he had the department back of him.

"Excuse me, comrade," were the words with which he endeavored to account for his presence at Brotherson's door. "My lamp smells so, and I've made such a mess of my work today that I've just stepped in for a chat. If I'm not wanted, say so. I'd like a big room like this, and a lot of books, and—pictures."

"Look at them, then. I like to see a man interested in books. Only, I thought if you knew how to handle wire, I would get you to hold this end while I work with the other."

"I guess I know enough for that," was Sweetwater's gay rejoinder. But when he felt that communicating wire in his hand and experienced for the first time the full influence of the other's eye, it took all his hardihood to hide the hypnotic thrill it gave him. He found himself gazing long and earnestly at this man's hand, and wondering if death lay under it. It was a strong hand, a deft, clean-cut member, formed to respond to the slightest hint from the powerful brain controlling it. But was this its whole story. Had he said all when he had said this?

Fascinated by the question, Sweetwater died a hundred deaths in his awakened fancy, as he followed the sharp, short instructions which fell with cool precision from the other's lips. A hundred deaths, I say, but with no betrayal of his folly. The anxiety he showed was that of one eager to please, which may explain why on the conclusion of his task, Mr. Brotherson gave him one of his infrequent smiles and remarked, as he buried the model under its cover: "You're handy and you're quiet at your job. Who knows but what I shall want you again. Will you come if I call you?"

"Won't I?" was the gay rejoinder, as the detective, thus released, stooped for the book still lying on the floor. "Paolo and Francesca," he read, from the back, as he laid it on the table. "Poetry?" he queried.

"Rot," scornfully returned the other, as he moved to take down a bottle and some glasses from a cupboard let into another portion of the wall.

Sweetwater, taking advantage of the moment, sidled towards the shelf where that empty space still gaped with the tell-tale hole at the back. He could easily have replaced the missing book before Mr. Brotherson turned. But the issue was too doubtful. He was dealing with an absent-minded fool; and it behooved him to avoid above all things calling attention to the book or to the place on the shelf where it belonged.

But there was one thing he could do and did. Reaching out a finger as deft as Brotherson's own, he pushed a second volume into the place of the one that was gone. This veiled the auger-hole completely; a fact which so entirely relieved his mind that his old smile came back like sunshine to his lips, and it was only by a distinct effort that he kept the dancing humor

from his eyes as he prepared to refuse the glass which Brotherson now brought forward:

"None of that!" said he. "You mustn't tempt me. The doctor has shut down on all kinds of spirits for work so fine called for an undivided attention. He need not fear the gaze shifting, while those hands moved as warily as they did now."

But Brotherson did not drink. Setting down the glass he carried, he took up the book lying near, weighed it in his hand and laid it down again, with an air of thoughtful inquiry. Then he suddenly pushed it towards Sweetwater. "Do you want it?" he asked.

Sweetwater was too taken aback to answer immediately. This was a move he did not understand. What it he? What he wanted was to see it put back in its place on the shelf. Did Brotherson suspect this? The supposition was incredible; yet who could read a mind so mysterious?

Sweetwater, debating the subject, decided that the risk of adding to any possible suspicion was less to be dreaded than the continued threat offered by that unoccupied space so near the hole which testified so unmistakably of the means he had taken to spy upon this suspected man's privacy. So, after a moment of awkward silence, not out of keeping with the character he had assumed, he calmly refused the present as he had the glass.

Unhappily he was not rewarded by seeing the despised volume restored to its shelf. It still lay where its owner had pushed it, when, with some

And so it came to pass that at an hour when all the other hard-working people in the building were asleep, or at least striving to sleep, these two men still sat at their work, one in the light, the other in the darkness, facing each other, consciously to the one, unconsciously to the other, across the hollow well of the now silent court. Eleven o'clock! Twelve! No change on Brotherson's part or in Brotherson's room; but a decided one in the place where Sweetwater sat. Objects which had been totally indistinguishable even to his penetrating eye could now be seen in ever brightening outline. The moon had reached the open space above the court, and he was getting the full benefit of it. But it was a benefit he would have been glad to dispense with. Darkness was like a shield to him. He did not feel quite sure that he wanted this shield removed. With no curtain to the window and no shade, and all this brilliance pouring into the room, he feared the disclosure of his presence there, or, if not that, some effect on his own mind of those memories he was more anxious to see mirrored in another's discomfiture than in his own.

Was it to escape any lack of concentration which these same memories might bring, that he rose and stepped to the window? Or was it under one of those involuntary impulses which move us in spite of ourselves to do the very thing our judgment disapproves?

No sooner had he approached the sill than Mr. Brotherson's shade flew up and he, too, looked out. Their glances met, and for an instant the hardy detective experienced that involuntary stagnation of the blood which follows an inner shock. He felt that he had been recognized. The moonlight lay full upon his face, and the other had seen and known him. Else, why the constrained attitude and sudden rigidity observable in this confronting figure, with its partially lifted hand? A man like Brotherson makes no pause in any action however trivial, without a reason. Either he had been transfixed by this glimpse of his enemy on watch, or—daring thought! had seen enough of secularchal suggestion in the wan face-looking forth from this fatal window to shake him from his composure and let loose the grinning devil of remorse from its iron prison-house? If so, the movement was a memorable one, and the hazard quite worth while. He had gained—no! he had gained nothing. He had been the fool of his own wishes. No one, let alone Brotherson, could have mistaken his face for that of a woman. He had forgotten his newly-grown beard. Some other cause must be found for the other's attitude. It savored of shock, if not fear. If it were fear, then had he roused an emotion which might rebound upon himself in sharp reprisal. Death had been known to strike people standing where he stood; mysterious death of a species quite unrecognizable. What warranty had he that it would not strike him, and now? None.

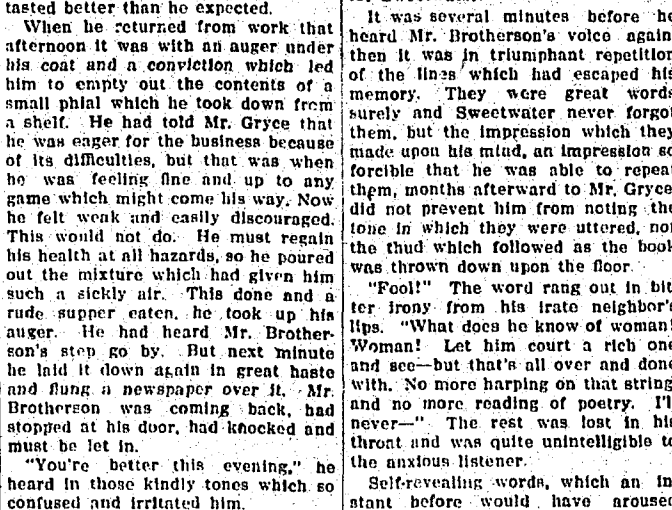
Yet it was Brotherson who moved first. With a shrug of the shoulder plainly visible to the man opposite, he turned away from the window and without lowering the shade, began gathering up his papers for the night and later banking up his stove with ashes.

Sweetwater, with a breath of decided relief, stepped back and threw himself on the bed. It had really been a trial for him to stand there under the other's eye, though his mind refused to formulate his fear, or to give him any satisfaction when he asked himself what there was in the situation suggestive of death to the woman or harm to himself.

Nor did morning light bring comfort, as is usual in similar cases. He felt the mystery more in the hubbub and restless turmoil of the day than in the night's silence and inactivity. He was glad when the stroke of six gave him an excuse to leave the room.

At half past six he found the janitor. He was, at all appearances, in a state of great excitement and he spoke very fast.

"I won't stay another night in that room," he loudly declared, breaking in where the family were eating breakfast by lamplight. "I don't want to make any trouble and I don't want to give my reasons; but that room don't suit me. I'd rather take the dark one you talked about

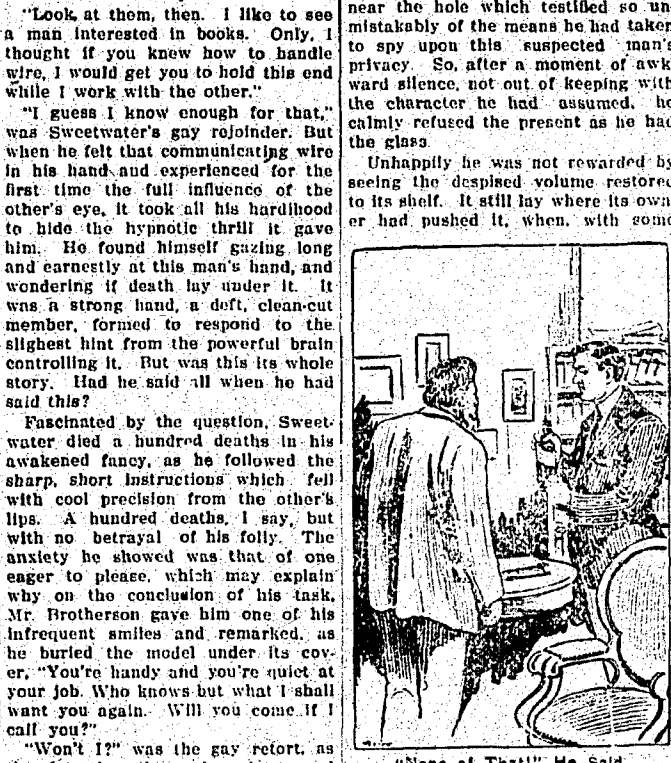


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awkwardly muttered thanks, the discomfited detective withdrew to his own room.

**Uses of Papyrus.**  
The Papyrus plant, which once flourished in large quantities in Egypt, but is now almost extinct there, still abounds in the Jordan Valley, as well as in the neighborhood of Jaffa and Sidon. It grows best in a marshy soil, easily attaining a height of eight to ten feet. The stems of the plant, which are hollow, like bamboo, are leafless, and as thick as a man's arm at the lower part, tapering away to a point. This wood, says a writer in the Wide World Magazine, is used today in the east for a variety of purposes, both ornamental and useful. At Jaffa it is converted into sandals, boxes, various articles of furniture, and even into boats. In ancient times, particularly when the Pharaohs reigned in Egypt, the papyrus was cultivated and converted into paper, and many museums can boast of specimens of these ancient papyri manuscripts.

## Possibly the First Music

Bagpipes Have Been Known Since There Has Been Any Record Written in History.

Bagpipes are the Bulgarian national instrument. Until lately the servants who waited on the Turkish grand vizier in Constantinople were mute, though not, as in former times, persons specially mutilated, but children born deaf and dumb. They use a language of signs, with a special gesture to describe the representative of each nation. To indicate the Bulgarian agent they imitate a man playing the bagpipes. It was not the Bulgarians who invented the pipes, however. They are among the oldest of musical instruments. An ancient gem shows Apollo, with them, and two instruments in the book of Daniel are believed to have been bagpipes.

The bagpipes range not only in time from Apollo and the Bible to the present day, but geographically from China to Spain and Great Britain. England is said to have given them to Scotland. One country, however, finally lost a peculiarly severe form of the instrument. This was the Sardinian "lunedda," which had three pipes, all placed in the piper's mouth, and was played by rubbing strips of wax up and down over the holes.

The work was so exhausting that nearly all the pipers died young. In 1845 George Burdett came across one who had survived to the age of 84. But he was the last of the luneddas players, and when he died the instrument was played no more.

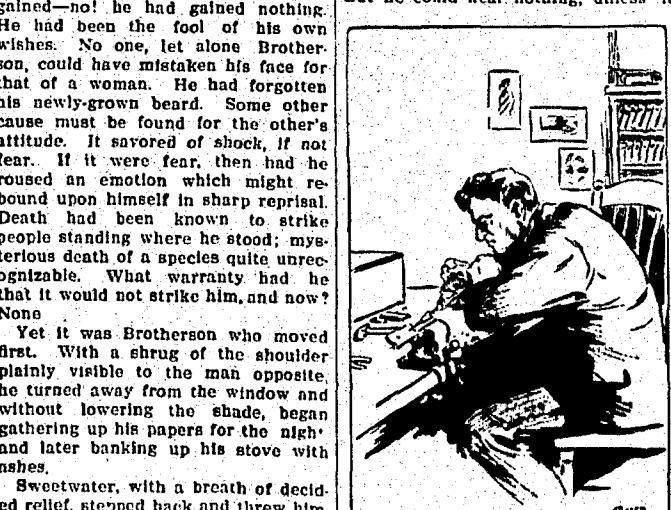
close of each season in this country will be interested to learn that a considerable portion of such stock is disposed of in China, where the men are adopting the dress of their western neighbors. The rising generation of Chinese is particularly keen for headgear worn in America, but the styles seen there are always those that were in vogue in this country the year before.

Much of the men's apparel that falls to find a market in this country finds its way to the far east. In a walk through the streets of any Chinese city one sees derbies, fedoras and caps that bear an American label. Most of the caps are of British make because many of the tourists come from London, and in selecting a cap the native has no guide except the headgear he sees on foreigners.

**Getting Around French Law.**  
It is against the law in France to make derogatory statements about a servant, even although those statements may happen to be true. An employer who refused to recommend a cook "by reason of her extravagance, impertinence and predilection to drink" was prosecuted by said cook and fined for libel, the court informing her that the truth of the charges had nothing to do with the matter.

Henceforth French housekeepers, says the New York Sun, in order to evade the responsibilities placed upon them by the law have learned certain character in form something like the following: "This certifies that Mrs. Marie, late nurse of my daughter, aged one year, did not leave her on a bench in the Jardin des Plantes and go away and forget her on October 21 last."

**China Market for Hats.**  
Men who have wondered what becomes of the large stocks of hats, once and clothing that remain unsold at the



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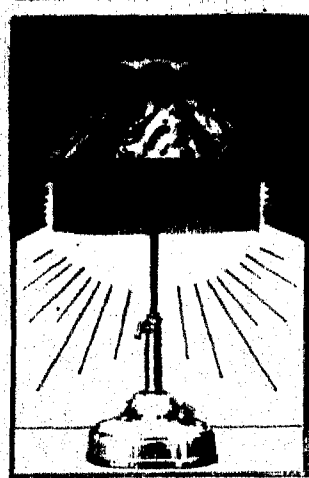
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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, AUG. 7

Three gentlemen were arrested by Dan Stephan on Monday last for having in their possession undersized trout. The limit of size of trout on the AuSable river and its tributaries is eight inches, while on other streams in the state the limit is seven inches. The fish that were caught by these three gentlemen wouldn't even come up to the seven inch limit, and one wasn't much over three inches—only a minnow. It is quite probable that the larger portion of the fish would have died had they been returned to the water yet the law states plainly that fish under certain sizes shall not be kept but returned to the water. Had these fish lived nearly all of them would have been large enough to keep. In another season, and thus make fishing that much better next year. Altogether too many undersized fish find their way to the frying pan. Here was a clear case of violating the fishing law and it was proper that they were made to pay the penalty. The gentlemen themselves are as fine a lot of men as ever wet a line in this river and in their home cities are recognized as being among the most exemplary citizens. Fish will slightly shrink after being out of the water several hours and we believe that any of our game wardens would use great caution before placing anyone under arrest, but where the violation is so pronounced there should be no alternative, and we commend Mr. Stephan upon his watchfulness.

### Notice of hearing Claims before Court.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.  
In the matter of the estate of Ivy C. Hinkley, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 4th day of August, A. D. 1913 have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office in the village of Grayling, in said county, on or before the fourth day of December A. D. 1913, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Thursday the 4th day of December A. D. 1913, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated August 4th A. D. 1913.  
WILLINGTON BATTENSON,  
Judge of Probate.

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## Candies

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## Additional Local News

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson on Thursday last, a little son.

Mrs. Robt. Marshall is spending the week at the Marshall farm in Maple Forest.

Frank Carpenter has resumed work at the blade market after an illness of several days.

Mrs. W. Christensen spent a week with her sister, Mrs. K. Edmunds, in Maple Forest.

Miss Alta Reagan returned from Bay City Monday afternoon after a few days visit.

Mrs. Floyd Smith and children of Bay City are visiting at the home of Delvan Smith.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gus Engel of Sigbee on Thursday, July 22.

Mrs. E. A. Knight of Bay City was a caller on friends here last week while on her way home from Mackinaw City.

Axel Jorgenson went to Chicago today to attend the Danish Young people's convention which is to be held there.

Anchor Nelson of Saginaw arrived Sunday morning and is visiting his cousin, and other relatives here for a week.

Frank Tetu Jr. resumed his duties at the Sorenson Bros. store Monday morning after a week's vacation in Standish.

Mrs. Geo. Cross and daughter, Miss Helen, and sons, Arthur and Harold, of Milwaukee, Wis., arrived on Thursday last and are visiting at the home of Herman Dorah. They were former residents of this city and are also visiting other friends.

Miss Helen Ziebell celebrated her sixth birthday yesterday by inviting in a few little friends to spend the afternoon with her, and help partake of some of the dainty refreshments that always have an attraction among ladies and gentlemen of this age. A fine time was had by all.

The Methodist church picnic will be held next Wednesday, August 13th, at Portage lake. There will be races in the water and on land by Boy Scout competition for watches. Everyone come and have a good time. Buy your tickets at the Methodist church tonight, Thursday. Adults 25c; children 15c.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gierke, of Toledo, Ohio, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schroeder also of that city were guests at the home of Mr. Gierke's brother, Adam Gierke several days this week. They leave today for Mackinaw Island where they will spend a few days and then leave that city for their homes by boat.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Schmidt and Mr. Schmidt's mother, Mrs. Plag, who spent several weeks here at the home of H. C. Schmidt and visited other friends, returned to their home in Los Angeles, Calif., on Tuesday afternoon last, after a very pleasant vacation, it being their first visit here since they left here several years ago for the west.

Mrs. M. E. Knight entertained a few friends at her home last Wednesday evening. Among the guests were Nellie Sanderson, now Mrs. M. Rushion of Clarkston, Wash., Mrs. Bessie Wetz, nee Metzler, of Dayton Ohio, old school mates of her son Elmer, also a few members of her Sunday school class years ago. A very enjoyable evening was spent in talking over old times.

The Epworth league held their regular business meeting at the home of Mrs. Everett Tuesday evening. They will meet each Friday evening until the fair, at the parsonage and spend the evening sewing on articles for the league booth. All members are urged to attend these meetings and bring your friends in for a pleasant time and if possible to increase the membership of the league.

The Farmers' Picnic will be held at the town hall at Beaver Creek on Thursday, August 14. Every one is cordially invited to attend and have an enjoyable time. Good shelter and lots of room for horses in case of storm, also a well waxed, first class dancing floor. A program is being arranged for the rendered after the dinner hour. Everybody come and get acquainted with the farmer, the man who produces the chuck. GEO. BEZMORR, Secretary

We hear that a man who was afraid of thunder crawled into a hollow log as a place of safety during a thunder storm. The thunder roared the rain poured down in torrents, and the old log began to swell up until the poor fellow was wedged in so tight that he could not get out. All his past sins began passing before him. Suddenly he remembered that he hadn't paid his subscription to his local paper and he felt so small that he was able to back right out.

Dr. Ingelwright of Rose City was arrested on complaint of Dan Stephan deputy state games warden, on the charge of assisting an officer, and appeared in Justice Mahon's court here Tuesday to answer the charge. On Sunday, July 23, the doctor and a party of friends were fishing on the AuSable river, and Mr. Stephan, in his attempt to search the doctor for short fish claimed that he had been released and hindered. The respondent in the case were defended by Attorneys Harris and Chapin of West Branch, and succeeded in convincing the jury that there was no cause for action.

Miss Alice King of Gaylord is spending the week here with friends.

The Misses Mildred Bunting and Anna Walton left Monday for a visit at Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hartwick, of Detroit are guests of relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. Nels Soderberg of Johannesburg is here taking electrical treatments at Mercy hospital.

L. Corey and family have moved to Boyne City where Mr. Corey has a good position. He was night foreman at T-Town saw mill.

O. Palmer and Chas. Starnard left Tuesday night for Detroit and Ann Arbor on business. They are expected to return tomorrow.

The Misses Anna Boeson and Anna Fischer left Monday morning for Bay City to spend a week with Miss Maude Soderquist of that city.

Miss Lillie Fischer graduates from Mt. Pleasant Normal tomorrow. Her mother, Mrs. Wm. Fischer left last week to be present at the graduation exercises.

Mrs. F. Capstraw and niece, Miss Catherine O'Leary returned from Lindsay, Ontario, Canada, on Thursday last after a three weeks' visit at Miss O'Leary's home.

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Miss Maggie Hummington returned from Ann Arbor Sunday morning. Her little nephew remained at the hospital there, as there are hopes for the recovery of his hearing.

Miss Anna Nelson left last Saturday night for a two weeks vacation at Pinconning, Bay City and Gladwin. She expects to visit the Misses Angers at Pinconning, who were former residents of this city.

Miss Augusta Kraus returned from a several weeks' visit in Saginaw and Detroit, Monday. She was accompanied home by her sister, Mrs. M. B. Weinberg and children of Saginaw, who expect to visit here for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Milks returned Tuesday from McBain, where they were called on Thursday last by the sudden illness of Mr. Milks' sister, Mrs. James Fitzpatrick. She died just before Mr. Milks got there. Her home was in Saginaw but was visiting her parents at McBain.

Emerson Bates, Alan Davis and Lloyd Cummings, resorters at Portage lake had a strange experience on Tuesday afternoon of this week, when playing near the lakeside, their attention was attracted by seeing a 7 1/2 pound pike trying to swallow a 1 1/2 pound sucker. The boys jumped into the water and caught the fish with their hands and took it to Mrs. S. McCauley's cottage, the sucker was still alive. The boys feel quite elated over their experience and enjoyed a fish dinner.

H. Petersen returned on Monday morning from Cincinnati, where he had been in attendance at the National convention of the Loyal Order of Moose, as a delegate from this lodge. He says there were thousands of delegates present and represented lodges in every state in the union and nearly every city of any size. He also visited the Moose home, called Moose Heart where the order owns thousands of acres of land and the families of dependent members are taken in and given a chance to make for themselves, comfortable homes. The younger members are schooled and taught trades and agriculture. Mr. Petersen was greatly pleased with the entertainment that the city of Cincinnati furnished them also with speeches and talks given at the convention. He says that there was just one thing that he didn't like and that was the extreme heat. The thermometer registered from 100 to 104 in the shade and collarless shirt waists and sleeves rolled up was the only way that the delegates could be comfortable.

Silver Polisher.

For cleaning silver, especially knives, forks, spoons, ladles, butter knives, etc., make a strong solution of salt and bicarbonate of soda, about equal parts, and cold water. Put articles to be cleaned in a dishpan and cover well with the solution. Allow them to remain about two hours, take out and dry well with a clean cloth, when it will be found that all the dust and tarnish have disappeared and the articles will look as well as though rubbed with silver polish.

Rice Meringue.

One cup of carefully sorted rice boiled in water until it is soft. When done, drain it, let cool and add 1 quart of milk, the well-beaten yolks of 3 eggs, 2 tablespoons of white sugar and a little nutmeg, or flavor with lemon or vanilla, pour into a baking dish and bake about half an hour. Let it get cold; beat the whites of the eggs, add 2 tablespoons of sugar, flavor, spread over pudding and brown in oven.

Coloring for Gravies.

Take a piece of butter the size of a large nutmeg, two tablespoonsful of brown sugar, melt in a saucepan and let it scorch brown; take it off and pour in boiling water, slowly stirring all the time, till thin enough to pour in a bottle. Will keep some time.

Orange Salad.

Peel and separate oranges into sections, removing pulp from covering. Mix two cups of pulp with one cup of diced celery and one cup broken nut meats. Serve on lettuce with rich mayonnaise.

## FOR BREAKFAST TABLE

APPETIZING TIT-BITS THAT ALL WILL APPRECIATE

Rice Porridge for the Children Eat With-out Protest—French Muffins a Second Course—Lemon Biscuits Have Piquancy of Flavor.

Rice Porridge.—Place one-half pound of rice into three quarts of boiling water, and let it stand until the rice has softened into a jelly. Add to this a quarter pound of oatmeal, mixed with water, and stir it well in. Add also about an ounce of finely chopped onion, one-half ounce of bacon fat or butter, salt and pepper to taste, and boil all together in a double boiler, stirring every little while until done. If desired, the quantity of oatmeal may be larger. This porridge will be found to be an agreeable change from the usual ones, and children who have tired of the plain oatmeal or rice usually take to it with zest.

Real French Muffins.—Put an ounce of butter in a saucepan with half a pint of milk and warm slowly. Beat four eggs until they are frothy and add them to the milk. To this mixture add a medium sized cake of yeast which has been dissolved in warm water and then stir in very gradually a quart of flour. Butter well the muffin pans, pour each about half full and set in a warm place to rise. When well risen bake lightly in a modern oven. An appetizing method to serve is to pull them apart while they are very hot, place a generous piece of butter in each and put on the table at once. Never cut them, as to do so makes them heavy.

Lemon Biscuits.—Into three and a half pounds of flour rub one pound of butter, mix in one and a half cupsful of sugar, and when the whole is absolutely smooth add eight drops of lemon essence, a teaspoonful of honey, water and sufficient milk to form a thick dough. After breaking the dough smooth, divide it into pieces about the size of a walnut, flatten, and cut out with a biscuit cutter, and bake till lightly colored in a moderate oven. Serve cold, when they are delicious, and keep in a tin canister.

Dublin Pocke.

Take half a pound of sweet almonds; pick out eight of them, bleach them, cut them into strips, then throw them into red or orange water till wanted, put the rest of the almonds into a mortar with six bitter ones and pound them to a paste with a dessertspoonful of brandy; add gradually two ounces of powdered sugar and four ounces of sweet butter; pound the mixture until it looks very white, set it in a cold place to stiffen; dip two spoons into cold water and with these form the paste into pieces the size and shape of an egg. Pile these in a glass dish in a rocklike form and ornament with stripes of angelica, the almonds which were first put aside and a little myrtle. Sufficient for a small dish.

Grape Fluff.

One-quarter box shredded gelatin for one tablespoon of granulated gelatin, one-quarter cup cold water, three-quarters cup sugar, juice of one lemon, one cup of grape juice, white of three eggs. Soften the gelatin in the cold water and dissolve by standing the dish in hot water. Dissolve the sugar in the fruit juice and strain the gelatin into it. Set in ice water and stir occasionally until it begins to thicken, then add gradually the well-beaten whites of the eggs and beat until the whole is very light and stiff enough to hold its shape. Pile lightly in a glass serving dish and serve with whipped cream or soft custard. This is sufficient for six servings and is delicious and wholesome.

For the Breakfast Table.

Though the original was "made in Germany" the idea is not bad and might well be adapted for American breakfasts as well. It is an egg warmer and is an attractive basket of Dresden china in which there is a place for several eggs. Beneath the egg compartment is another for holding hot water and it is this, of course, which makes the dish particularly useful and practical.

French Designs in Lamps.

Some of the old French designs in porcelain lamps fitted for electric light are very quaint and original. The shades are carried out in the same patterns and colors and are hand painted on silk or gauze, according to the style. Some have porcelain shades. The shades are charming and are quite a change from the ordinary style.

Stuffed Celery.

This is a particularly appetizing relish to serve with a buffet luncheon. Select crisp stalks of celery and cut into two or three-inch lengths. The hollow of each stalk is filled with cream cheese mixed with chopped pimientos and nuts, seasoned well with mayonnaise.

Cabbage Salad.

Remove the center from a white cabbage, leaving a shell. Shred center and mix with mayonnaise. Chill, fill cabbage shell, arrange on a thick bed of parsley and garnish top of shell with a border of parsley.

Caramel Pudding.

Melt one cup sugar, add one pint scalded milk; let this dissolve thoroughly, then add three tablespoons cornstarch, one teaspoon vanilla, one cup of rolled walnuts. Serve with whipped cream.

Remarkable Cure For Dysentery.

I was attacked with dysentery about July 15th, and used the doctor's medicine and other remedies with no relief, only getting worse all the time. I was unable to do anything and my weight dropped from 145 to 125 pounds. I suffered for about two months when I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I used two bottles of it and it gave me permanent relief." writes B. W. Hill of Snow Hill, N. C. For Sale by all dealers. Adv.

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## Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, AUG. 7

### Local and Neighborhood News.

#### THE GROCER.

At the corner under a scraggly tree, The little grocery stands. The grocer, a frail little man is he, With stubble feet and hands. And he travels all the day with willing feet.

To answer our many calls, From early morn while others sleep, Until night and darkness falls.

Send flour here; send sugar there; The phone rings sharp and clear; He charges them all and takes good care.

Not to show his gloomy fear, But often at noon and night and morn, When the agent calls for pay, He wishes he had the good old coin. For the goods he charged that day.

He may count his cash when Saturday comes.

Tom Jones forgot to pay, And Smith had coal to get this time. Will pay all up in May. The grocer is the closest friend in need.

The last to get his due: His profits are small; hard work indeed.

To keep the stock fresh and new.

And when the cost of living we count, We'll find if we look aright, That the grocery man has the least amount.

Of the scale that is his by right. And when after years of this turmoil He lays his apron aside, He has little to show for the struggle and toil.

He's in luck if he stems the tide.  
—Geo. W. Roup.

Base ball Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Carl Mork is visiting her parents in Caro.

Miss Bertha Woodburn spent Sunday at Mackinaw Island.

Jake Letkus spent a few days visiting his mother at Gaylord last week.

Mrs. Amidon and Mrs. Oaks are at the Amidon cottage at the lake this week.

Miss Grace Batchelor of Washington D. C., is a guest at the home of S. S. Phelps Sr.

Mrs. Powrie and little son are visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. Melstrop.

Theodore Myers of Bay City spent a few days in this city this week visiting friends.

Mrs. J. D. Woodburn returned from a several weeks outing at Mackinaw Island, Tuesday.

Mrs. Chas. Canfield went to Gladwin Tuesday to spend a few weeks with her parents.

Nothing raises a man's ire quicker than sultry days than to be bothered by a particularly affectionate fly.

Oscar Deckrow is home from Boyne City for a few days. He had his knee badly wrenched and will rest a while.

Fire insurance is too cheap to be without. Why are you negligent?  
Geo. L. ALEXANDER & SON.

An author is known by his writings—a mother by her daughter, a fool by his words, all men by their companions.

Last Sunday the Swamp Angels defeated the Stars 6 to 3. Batteries for Angels, Laurent and Quigley; Stars, Hill and Lander.

Mrs. Laura Schroeder left Saturday to visit at West Branch for a few days after which she will go to Chicago to attend the Danish Young Peoples convention.

Wm. Hillert, foreman at the Kerry-Hansen Flooring plant, and family are enjoying a two weeks' vacation in Saginaw. Al. Roberts is filling his place during his absence.

Miss Marguerite Scully returned to Detroit Monday having spent a fortnight visiting Dr. and Mrs. Kayport. She was accompanied as far as Bay City by Miss Anna Walton.

—The Messrs. Jess Sorenson and Helge Hemmington left yesterday for Chicago to attend the Danish Young Peoples convention. Jess Sorenson is secretary of all the conventions and Helge Hemmington is acting as a delegate from the society here.

Mrs. Martin and children returned Monday from Bay View.

Mrs. Robt. Siebold and children are visiting at Mio, the guest of Mrs. Gus Anderson.

Found—Rain coat, owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Avalanche Office.

There being no quorum present at the regular meeting night of the village council last Monday, the meeting was postponed till tonight.

Grayling will play Tom Stephens Otis here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, August 10th, 11th, and 12th. See announcement on the first page of this paper.

M. Simpson and family are spending the week on an outing at Manistee river. It is needless to say that Mr. Simpson is getting his share of the speckled beauties.

Large base burner heating stove for sale at a great bargain. Almost new. Want to sell because we have installed a heating plant. Phone 355.  
W2 LARS RASMUSSEN.

H. Joseph left Saturday night for Cleveland and New York to purchase the fall stock of goods for the Grayling Mercantile Co. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Martha.

Rev. Fr. Riess left Tuesday for a few days outing, to be spent at Mackinaw City and the Soo. Rev. Nye, of Cheboygan is enjoying the trip with him. They expect to return about Saturday.

Lost—Pair nose glasses, Thursday, July 24th. Case containing glasses was marked Dr. Brown, Bay City. Finder please leave at Avalanche office or at Grayling Machinery Repair Co.'s.  
F. HAHMAN.

Mrs. F. Mack and daughter, Mrs. Walter Nelson, and Miss Clara Nelson spent Monday in Gaylord and attended the circus. From Gaylord, Mrs. Nelson went to her home in Johannesburg, after a month's visit here.

Thaddeus Tanner, age 62 years, of Spencer, Kalkaska county and Sarah Pheppney age 53, of Wellington, Crawford county were united in marriage Friday, August 1st. Justice Mahon tying the knot. Mr. Tanner is a well to do farmer of Kalkaska county.

The Grange will hold its next annual picnic at Oak Grove farm, the home of Chas. Corwin, on Thursday, August 14. An extra good program is being prepared. The picnic dinner will be at 1 o'clock, every body bring well filled baskets. Dancing will be in order in the afternoon and evening. Everybody is invited to come. Those wishing to attend the picnic may leave Grayling for Cheney on the morning train, where signs will be waiting to take them to the picnic grounds, and back to the station in time for the evening train, in case that anyone don't care for the evening entertainment. A good time is assured all who attend.

Mrs. A. C. Olson and daughter, spent a couple of days in Gaylord this week, the guest of her mother, Mrs. D. Goodrich.

If you want 16 inch body wood for the winter order now as we are not sure of having some later on.  
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A man with a big voice and broad shoulders can always get a reputation for being wise if he doesn't insist on talking to much.

Mrs. Louis Pelky, who visited at the home of her aunt, Mrs. F. Lesprance for several days, returned to her home in Bay City yesterday.

Miss Irene Lesprance returned Tuesday from a two weeks vacation with her sister at Gaylord. She is a new clerk at M. Brenner's store.

Grayling vs. the Flint Independents next Saturday and Sunday. The Flints are new to our fans but they have the reputation of being a crackling good team.

Miss Alice Gilbert of Waters, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anstott over Sunday. Miss Gilbert will be remembered, as she taught music here at one time.

The Swamp Angels, now under the management of Harry Sorenson are prepared to meet any fast team of young men between the ages of 16 to 20. Address all letters to Harry Sorenson, Grayling. Box 130.

Mrs. Marius Hanson entertained with a very pretty porch party on Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. James Hartwick of Detroit. There were three tables for "500," Mrs. Stanley Insley having the highest score.

Clinton Hauk and wife, of Medina, Ohio, are spending two weeks here as guests of their uncles, James and George Collier and families. They have been doing some fishing at Portage lake and report some record catches of green bass.

A daughter of one of our citizens is about to make application for a Carnegie hero medal. She basus her claim upon the fact that one evening recently a young man called on her who said he was dying for a kiss. She saved his life. Noble girl.—Ex.

Hugo Schriber Sr. and family entertained Mrs. Schriber's sisters and their families at Saginaw last week. The visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bohner, their sons, William and George and their wives, and Mrs. Lietzau and little niece Marie, all of Lansing. They came in their two autos and took several trips to Portage lake and other places while here.

Temple theater is giving the people of Grayling one of the best week's entertainments that has been presented, we believe, this season. John Ennor with his travel talks and stereopticon pictures is indeed a treat. Mr. Ennor has been a most extensive traveler and is able to tell what he has seen in a most interesting manner. His camera has played a very important part and to hear him is almost equal to that of being there ourselves. His entertainment is highly instructive and very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller of Boyne City are visiting at Clarno Mills.

The Messrs. Ernest Howell and Carry Shesby spent Sunday in Gaylord.

Joseph Cassidy returned home Monday from a week's vacation in Cheboygan.

Eabern Olson and wife and the Messrs. Wilda and Beatie Failling attended the Sparks Bros. circus at Gaylord Monday.

Mrs. Henry Bauman was hostess to a few of her friends at a dinner on Wednesday afternoon after which the ladies were entertained by playing "500." Mrs. Marius Hanson having the highest score. Mrs. James Hartwick, of Detroit, was guest of honor.

A man's home paper is worth more to him than any other because it gives him more facts and local news, besides always working for the interest of the home community. When you subscribe for your home paper and pay for it you increase the paper's ability to work for the development of your own community.—Ex.

The L. Jensen company's farm barn about two and a half miles west of Ewen was struck by lightning Saturday night, July 25, and burned to the ground. There were about twenty tons of hay burned with the barn. John Nash, a teamster, and a team of horses were in the barn when struck but escaped without injury excepting a severe jolt which left one of the horses deaf. The barn was a new one having just been completed.

Additional local news on opposite page.



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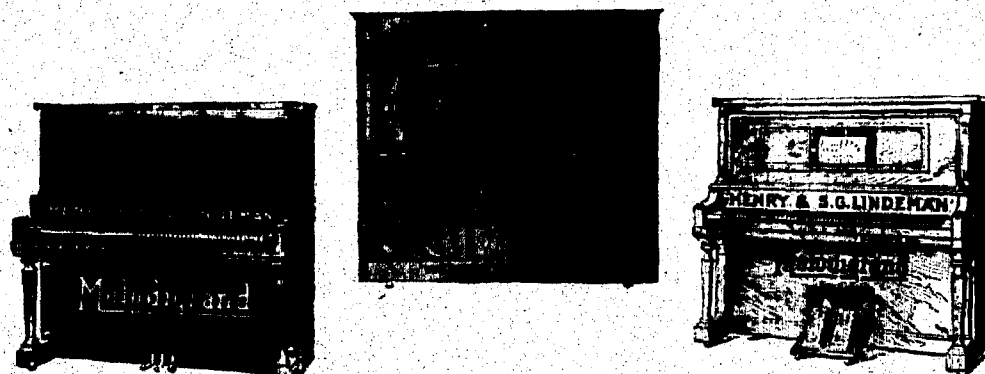
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*Asa Wood*

**Badly Expressed.**  
"Doctor, I'm sorry to bring you away out to the suburbs."  
"Don't mention it. You see, I have another patient out this way; consequently I can kill two birds with one stone."

**Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children**  
Teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, soothes a bottle.

**Plain Fare Will Remain.**  
The wife of the governor-elect of New York says that there will be corned beef and cabbage on the table of the executive mansion at Albany just as there is at home.

## ECZEMA ON ENTIRE SCALP

R. F. D. No. 2, Sunfield, Mich.—"I was troubled with eczema. It began with a sore on the top of the scalp, broke out as a pimple and grew larger until it was a large red spot with a crust or scab over it. This became larger finally covering the entire scalp and spread to different parts of the body, the limbs and back and in the ears. These sores grew larger gradually until some were as large as a quarter of a dollar. They would itch and if scratched they would bleed and smart. The clothing would irritate them at night when it was being removed causing them to itch and smart so I could not sleep. A watery fluid would run from them. My scalp became covered with a scale and when the hair was raised up it would raise this scale; the hair was coming out terribly."

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**When an Author Writes "Fins."**  
So you are gone, little printer's boy, with the last scratches and corrections on the proof and a fine flourish by way of fins at the story's end. The last corrections? I say those last corrections seem never to be finished. A plague upon the weeds! Every day, when I walk in my own little literary garden plot, I spy some and root them out. These idle words, neighbors, are past remedy. That turning to the old pages produces anything but elation of mind. Would you not pay a pretty price to be able to cancel some of them? Oh, the staid old pages, the dull old pages! Oh, the cares, the ennui, the squabbles, the repetitions, the old conversations over and over again. But now and again a kind thought is recalled and now and again a dear memory. Yet a few chapters more, and then the last; after which, behold, fins! fins! comes to an end and the infinite begins.—From Thackeray's "De Finibus."

**Untold.**  
"Dad, what do they mean by untold wealth?"  
"Means the man hasn't filed a tax statement, son."—Courier-Journal.

**Happens Frequently.**  
We can't know who puts the pun in punctuation, but we do know a whole lot of punctuation is put into punks.

**Indeed He Has.**  
"There's one thing certain," remarked the Observer of Events and Things; "the man with a past has a lot of things coming to him, all right."

**Woman is the salvation of the destruction of the family.**—Henri Frederic Amiel.

**There's more or less grafting done under the name of reform.**

**PANTRY CLEANED**  
A Way Some People Have.

**A doctor said:**  
"Before marriage my wife observed in summer and country homes, coming in touch with families of varied means, culture, tastes and discriminating tendencies, that the families using Postum seemed to average better than those using coffee."

"When we were married two years ago, Postum was among our first order of groceries. We also put in some tea and coffee for guests, but after both had stood around the pantry about a year untouched, they were thrown away, and Postum used only."

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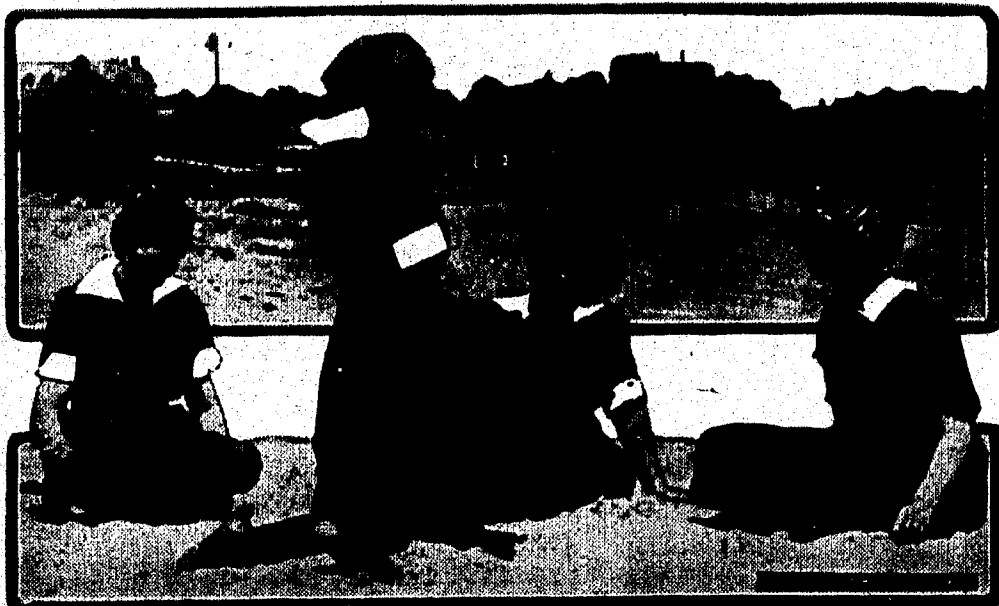
Postum comes in two forms. Regular (must be boiled). Instant Postum doesn't require boiling but is prepared instantly by stirring a level teaspoonful in an ordinary cup of hot water, which makes it right for most persons.

A big cup requires more and some people who like strong things put in a heaping spoonful and temper it with a large supply of cream.

Experiment until you know the amount that pleases your palate and have it served that way in the future.

"There's a Reason" for Postum.

## NEWPORT BELLES WHO DO NOT AVOID CAMERA



Mrs. Herman Oelrichs the other day ordered her chauffeur to run down a newspaper photographer who tried to take her picture at Newport. But our illustration is evidence that not all the society folk at the fashionable resort are afraid of the camera. The ladies, from left to right, are Mrs. Herbert M. Harriman of New York; Mrs. Clarence W. Dolan, Miss Rose Dolan and Miss Alexandra B. Dolan, the three last being prominent in Philadelphia society. In the background is seen the exclusive Bailey's Beach at Newport.

## WANT PINK PEARLS

**Fashion Leaders Demand the Expensive Rare Variety.**

**Custom House Figures for Recent Months Show Increased Imports of Rare Gems—Dealers Discount the Duties.**

New York.—The high cost of living has not decreased the demand of the American people for diamonds and other precious stones. The imports of gems to the United States in the fiscal year ending with June will amount to more than \$50,000,000, according to an estimate made by a Maiden lane authority, who bases his prediction on the total gem receipts at the port of New York in the first eleven months.

The appraised value of the diamonds and other precious stones that have already passed through the New York custom house is \$43,686,280, record-breaking figures for a similar period in any year. The figures for this year are estimated at \$50,000,000. Fear on the part of the big New York gem importers that they will have to pay a higher duty on gems under the new tariff bill has caused them to rush in large quantities of diamonds and other precious stones since the provisions of the bill became known. In May the receipts totaled \$4,606,323, record-breaking figures for that month. In April \$3,895,681 worth of gems passed through the appraisers' stores. The figures for March reached \$4,341,179. February receipts totaled \$4,299,435, and in January \$3,899,095, was the appraised value of the gems imported. Under the present tariff schedule the cut gems are dutiable at ten per cent, and there is no duty on the rough product. The Underwood bill provides for a duty of 20 per cent on cut and 10 per cent on uncut gems. The New York gem merchants, working through their association, are fighting for a retention of the present schedule.

In the fiscal year which ended on June 30, 1912, the importation of gems to New York amounted to \$39,445,285, of which amount the cut precious stones and pearls are reported by Jewellery Exporter William B. Treadwell at \$29,261,794, and the uncut stones, principally diamonds, at \$10,183,491. In 1911 the total reached \$28,374,891 and in 1910 the highest previous record was made when the receipts amounted to \$44,885,057. The imports in 1907 were \$41,112,271 and in 1906 \$40,217,542, which are the only fiscal years which have reached the \$40,000,000 mark.

There has been a tendency on the part of the De Beers Consolidated Mines to increase the price of diamonds during the year now ending, and there is now present a large number of New York dealers in the European markets who report that they have difficulty in getting gems suitable for the American market.

There has been a marked increase in the demand for colored stones, and fine Ceylon sapphires of 10 and 12 carats have been sold at from \$400 to \$500 a carat, which is an enormous increase in price since the beginning of the year. These gems are the most fashionable at present and it is predicted that fine sapphires will soon rank next to emeralds if they do not surpass them in price. One reason for this is that there are no fine sapphires coming to the market and only the reserve stock is being offered at high prices.

The demand for fine pearls has been unprecedented in the last year and there are at present few desirable gems of this kind offered to American dealers. The increase in the price of these gems has been phenomenal. Ludwig Nissen, a New York gem dealer, on sailing recently for Europe, said fine large pearls from five to fifteen grains in weight have advanced at least 25 per cent in the last fifteen years, and exceptionally fine pearls have shown a much greater increase. He said that the reason

## POLO AN OLD GAME

**Sport Popular in Persia Under Name of "Chaugan."**

**Women Played in Early Times, According to an Old Painting Now in British Museum—Flourished in 600 B. C.**

New York.—When polo was first played in England in 1689 it was styled "hockey on horseback." Yet hockey itself was one of the numerous games with stick and ball derived from the common ancestor, polo. They called it "chaugan" in the days when the sport was popular with the Persians. As far back as the sixth century B. C. this sport of the Persian aristocracy was in a flourishing condition. The ancient Persian poets sang its praises even as do the sporting writers today. The game was played by Persian women, too. In the British museum there is an old painting of several Persian ladies playing a game of polo. The painting shows that the Persians bandaged the legs of their mounts exactly as the polo ponies are bandaged today.

The Mohammedans, when they conquered Persia, learned the game of "chaugan," and liked it so much that they took it up for one of their own sports.

The game traveled from Persia to Tartary, and then to India via Afghanistan, Japan and China, too, had games bearing a close resemblance to it. In fact, throughout the entire east polo was the principal game. It derived its present name from the "pulu" of the Tibetan tongue, meaning a willow ball.

Among the natives of India the game was "kunjai," and was introduced into England, after having been brought to Calcutta by English army officers. The Ninth lancers played the first polo match in England in 1871. There was a great interest taken in the sport by the English public until many improvements were made in the rules. From eight men on a team the number of players was gradually reduced to four.

## ACCUSES SON OF AN ASSAULT

**Montclair Man Had Ax in Hand When Arrested—Mother Goes to Hospital.**

Montclair, N. J.—Mrs. John McKee, sixty-five years old of 83 Orange road, appeared in the Montclair police court to make a charge of assault against her son John, twenty-seven years old. Mrs. McKee said her son attacked her in their home after they had quarreled about domestic affairs. Neighbors summoned the police, who found McKee with an ax in his hand. Mrs. McKee had a fractured arm, a black eye and cuts and bruises on her face. McKee resisted arrest, but was taken to police headquarters after a struggle.

The man was sent to jail to await trial in default of one thousand dollars bail.

Mrs. McKee was removed to Mountsinclair hospital. According to the records of the Montclair police department, McKee has been frequently charged with beating his mother, but she always pleaded for leniency for him.

**Can Drink on One's Own Doorstep.**  
Washington.—"It is no crime to drink beer or whisky on one's own doorstep," said Judge Pugh in court here, dismissing Robert Lee, charged with violating the new excise law. The policeman said the prisoner's feet were on the sidewalk when the arrest was made. "Yes, but most of him was on his own doorstep," replied the court.

## PRIEST BARS SPLIT SKIRTS

**Refuses to Administer Sacrament to "Scantily Clad" Women of Meriden, Conn.**

Meriden, Conn.—Women among Rev. James Conlin of St. Rose's Catholic church of this city believe to be immodestly or too scantily clad will be barred from the sacrament at the altar. Father Conlin said he believed it was his duty as a priest to refuse holy communion to women in slit skirts or

girls wearing low-cut or peek-a-boo waists.

Father Conlin, who came here from New Haven, created a sensation a few months ago when he forbade the women of his parish attending masquerades and denounced the wearing by women of male attire at dances.

"The church of God is neither a ballroom nor a recreation pier," said Father Conlin. "I have no objection to women wearing cool, decent clothes to church, but it is high time to call a halt when they appear before me in things that are mere apologies for sleeves, a wisp of cloth and a yard of nothing."

**Has Ear in His Pocket.**  
New Haven, Conn.—When the attorney for the defense asked Joseph Bodkin what had become of his ear, which Bodkin stated the defendant, Marius Figalakowski, had bitten off, in the city court, Bodkin calmly took the severed ear out of his pocket and handed it to the judge. The defendant was bound over to the superior court.

## COCA COLA HABIT, A GHOST.

We have all heard of ghosts, but none of us have ever seen one. It's the same way with coca cola. "Rends," you can hear about it, but you might search for them until dooms day and you would never find one. Physicians who have treated hundreds of thousands of drug-habit cases, including opium, morphine, cocaine, alcohol, etc., say that they have never seen a case where the use of Coca-Cola has so fastened itself upon the individual as to constitute a habit in the true sense of the word. Although millions of glasses of Coca-Cola are drunk every year, no Coca-Cola fiends have ever made themselves visible at the doors of the sanitariums for the treatment of drug habits.

The Coca-Cola habit is analogous to the beefsteak habit and to the strawberry habit and the ice cream habit. People drink Coca-Cola first because they see it advertised and thereafter because it tastes good and refreshes their minds and bodies. They drink it when they can get it and contentedly without it when they can't get it. If you had ever witnessed the ravings of a real drug fiend when deprived of his drug, if you had ever observed the agony he suffers, you would never again be so unkind as to mention Coca-Cola in the same breath with the "habit-forming" drugs.—Adv.

## THINGS WORTH KNOWING

New York erects about 12,000 buildings yearly.

Hobart, Australia, has municipal street car lines.

Wroden molding to hide electric wires is prohibited in New York.

The telephones of Canada number 370,884, one for every twenty persons.

Of the 50,000 cab horses in Paris 12 years ago but 7,000 remain.

New York has more telephones than London, Paris and Berlin together.

The tobacco yield per acre in New England is greater than most other places.

It requires 1 6-10 horse power and one year's time to make a ton of nitrate from the air.

The latest estimates show that the land covers about three-sevenths of the earth's surface.

The egg production of this country has increased from 450,000,000 in 1880 to 1,300,000,000 in 1912.

The Argentine government is considering the importation of camels for various agricultural duties.

An instrument in the weather bureau at Washington records every lightning flash within 100 miles.

The quantity of cattle in this country has decreased in recent years, while the poultry flock has grown larger.

**Hundredth Birthday of Old Rag Trade.**  
That side industry in the manufacture of cloth, the conversion of rags—new and old—into shoddy and mungo, is just now celebrating its hundredth birthday. In the British manufacturing town of Batley, its birthplace.

The first two rag machines used in the production of shoddy were started a century ago in a small shed at Batley, and were propelled by a water wheel. Today, the shoddy trade is Batley's chief interest. Thousands of tons of rags are yearly shipped from the United States to Batley, and England as well as nearly every country on the continent contributes to the mills.

It is even said that very little cloth is now manufactured in which shoddy has not been introduced; as an instance in addition to the cheaper materials, the meltons, beavers and whitenys made up into uniforms, greatcoats, etc., imitation Harris and Donegal tweeds very often contain a proportion of shoddy.

Many a man never feathers his own nest because it costs him so much to color his nose.

Some dogs are born foolish, the saying is some men.

Willie—Paw, why does a majanate have to cut coupons?  
Paw—To feed his stock, my son.

**Just Like Mother.**  
Mrs. Chatt—Did mother receive you with open arms, dear?  
Mr. Chatt—No; with open mouth.

**Necessity.**  
"It is said that Queen Mary clings to the old-fashioned sidesaddle."  
"Any one who rides on one has to."

The soil of shallow minds is fine for growing weeds.

## WEARIED OF UPS AND DOWNS

**Brother May Have Been Right, but Sister Tired to Hike Too Long—Winded Explanation.**

John (to his sister Sue, who has been motoring with her beau)—"Did you have a pleasant trip, Sis dear?"  
Sue (to her brother John)—"Oh, it was just lovely! And we went over mountains—just up one hill and down another, for ever such a distance."

"You went how?"  
"Up one hill and down another."  
"Did you have an airship along?"  
"Of course not, you silly!"  
"Then, how did you go up one hill and down another?"

"In the auto, on a perfectly lovely road. The hills were not so high that you would have to fly."

"What you mean, Sis dear, is that you went down one hill and up another—not up one hill and down another."

"Don't act silly! How could we get to the top of a hill to go down a hill if we didn't go up first? We certainly went up one hill and down another, just as I said."

"You certainly did not—you went down one hill and up another, just as I am telling you. You may have gone up one hill and down that same hill; and then you went up another hill and down that same hill. You see, Sis dear, before you could go up one hill and down another hill altogether you would have to have an airship to fly from the top of this first hill to the top of that other hill, and you admit that."

But Sue did not wait to hear the rest.—Lippincott's.

**Red Cross Ball Blue.** All blue, best bluing value in the whole world, makes the laundry smile. Adv.

## HAD SOME JOYS TO RECOUNT

**Small Boy Didn't Get Looked-For Tickets, but Day Was Not Altogether Without Fun.**

When that spectacular drama of Africa, "The Garden of Allah," recently appeared in Washington, with its troop of camels and donkeys to lend atmosphere to the scenes, Beverly, a tropical small boy of ten, hastened to offer his services, when they arrived in the city Monday morning, as a carrier of water and food for the beasts, hoping thereby to get a seat among the gallery gods for his labors.

The next afternoon Beverly was seen sitting enthroned among a party of his companions, all evidently listening eagerly to the tales of his last night's experience.

"Well, Beverly," hailed a passing acquaintance, "did you get into the show for looking after the animals?"  
"No," replied Beverly. "But," he added, swelling with pride as his comrades gazed eagerly upon him. "A donkey kicked me and a camel tried to bite me!"

**Nothing New.**  
"Did that palmit tell you the truth about yourself?"  
"Yes, but my wife has been doing that for years."

**Paw Knows Everything.**  
Willie—Paw, why does a majanate have to cut coupons?  
Paw—To feed his stock, my son.

**Just Like Mother.**  
Mrs. Chatt—Did mother receive you with open arms, dear?  
Mr. Chatt—No; with open mouth.

**Necessity.**  
"It is said that Queen Mary clings to the old-fashioned sidesaddle."  
"Any one who rides on one has to."

The soil of shallow minds is fine for growing weeds.

## IT'S HARD TO WORK

It's torture to work with a lame, aching back. Get rid of it. Attack the cause. Probably it's weak kidneys. Heavy or conching work is hard on the kidneys, anyway, and once the kidneys become inflamed and congested, the trouble keeps getting worse. The danger of running into gravel, dropsy or Bright's disease is serious. Use Doan's Kidney Pills, a fine remedy for backache or bad kidneys.

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## YET SHE WAS NOT SATISFIED

**Bathhouse Attendant's Explanation About as Satisfactory as That Made by Some Trusts.**

Senator Vardaman, at a luncheon, said of a certain trust's defense: "The defense is worse than the offense. It takes me back to Bath Beach."

"A young lady at Bath Beach had occasion to complain about one of the bathhouse attendants, and old fellow who in the hurry of cleaning up would sometimes burst in upon her in her bathhouse without knocking. "One morning after this had happened for the sixth or seventh time the young lady took the old fellow to task."

"See here, Peters," she said "there's no lock on my bathhouse, as you know, and I must insist on your knocking before you enter. It hasn't happened yet, but it might very well happen, that you'd come in on me when I was all undressed."

"Peters, with a chuckle, hastened to reassure the young lady on this point. "No fear of that, miss," he said. "No fear of that. There's a knothole in the door what I always look through before I venture in."

One should choose a wife with the ears rather than with the eyes.—Proverb.

**Envious.**  
Mrs. Biffers says Mrs. Twobble is a clotheshorse.  
"Pshaw! Mrs. Biffers said that because she can't trot with Mrs. Twobble."

**Signs of It.**  
Jack—Bill's wife says she made him.  
Jane—Maybe that is why he looks so frazzled at the seams.

**Quite the Contrary.**  
"Is Mrs. Oldboy despairing of her rich old husband's recovery?"  
"No; she is afraid of it."

**Rumor Was True.**  
"I understand that the Jimson family are leading a double life."  
"Yes; they have twins."

Blessed be the man who is in a hurry; he never stops to tell his troubles.

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